

NOTICE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS, WASTE MANAGEMENT LICENCE AND WATER USE LICENCE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED EXPANSION OF THE MIDDELLAAGTE OPEN PIT PROJECT AT THE LIMBERG MINING COMPANY, LIMPOPO PROVINCE

PROJECT ANNOUNCEMENT, I&AP REGISTRATION, PUBLIC OPEN DAY AND AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT (“DBAR”)

Applicant: Limberg Mining Company (Pty) Ltd

Location: Portions 0 & 1 of the Farm Middellaagte 382 KQ near Thabazimbi, Limpopo Province

Project Description:

Limberg Mining Company (Pty) Ltd (“LMC”) owns and operates the Thaba Cronimet Chrome Mine located in the North-Western Bushveld Igneous Complex in the Thabazimbi Local Municipal area of the Limpopo Province of South Africa.

LMC’s mining right (115 MR) was granted in March 2010 for a period of 30 years to mine Chrome Ore and Platinum Group Metals (“PGMs”). The mining right extends over an area of approximately 2129 hectares including the planned opencast mining activities on the farm Middellaagte 382 KQ (Middellaagte Opencast Operations also known as ML3). The approved mining right, Environmental Authorisation (“EA”) (granted 16 February 2017) and Water Use Licence (“WUL”) (granted 14 December 2018) includes approval for activities associated with the Middellaagte Opencast Pit and supporting infrastructure. This Application includes for optimisation of the currently authorised ML3 pit by extending the pit and maximising resource utilisation.

The optimised mining pit will extend the 2017 approved pit footprint with 6.2 ha. The additional mining area / disturbance of the surface area will be 62 327 m². To mine the optimised pit, a Waste Rock Dump (WRD) with a total volume of 3 166 898 m³ is required for storage, which includes the previously authorised WRD and proposed WRD. An extension of the previously approved WRD ML3.1 and ML3.2 is proposed for the stockpiling of the additional 1 525 795 m³ of waste rock. This area will be known as WRD ML3.4 and will straddle a tributary of the Bierspruit River and be located within the riparian zone. Two new planned topsoil stockpiles are planned as part of the extension of the opencast pit. No new processing plants or associated infrastructure will be constructed.

Anglo-American Platinum (“AAP”) Rustenburg Platinum Mines: Amandelbult Complex has reached an agreement with LMC to mine the ore reserve on the Middellaagte 382 KQ portion on Limberg’s behalf. The AMB Operations is situated directly south of the Limberg Middellaagte Operations. The existing Concentrator Plant and associated infrastructure at the AMB Operations will be utilised for the processing of the ore. Current authorised infrastructure for access to site, associated services, waste management and water supply will be utilised.

Alta van Dyk Environmental Consultants (Pty) Ltd (“AvDE”) has been appointed as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (“EAP”) to undertake the required environmental-related applications and associated public participation process.

Authorisations required:

Before the commencement of the proposed project, the following authorisations are required as per the applicable legislation:

- National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (“NEMA”)
 - Basic Assessment Process (“BA”)
- National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 1998 (Act No. 59 of 2008) (“NEM:WA”)
 - Waste Management Licence (“WML”) via the BA process.
- National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998) (“NWA”)
 - Water Use Licence (“WUL”)
 - GN704 Exemption

Availability of the Draft Basic Assessment and EMP Report:

The Draft Basic Assessment and Environmental Management Plan Reports are available for public review and comment for a period of 30 days from **11 March to 15 April 2024** at the venues listed in the table below. The report is also available electronically on the AvDE Website:

<https://www.altavandykenvironmental.co.za/public-documents/>

Public Place	Locality	Physical Address
Limberg Mine Security Office	Thabazimbi	R510
Thabazimbi Library	Thabazimbi	4th Avenue
Alta van Dyk Environmental Consultants Office	Midstream	9 Mount Sherman Crescent Midlands Estate

If you would like more information on the proposed project, or wish to provide comments on the project or the Draft Basic Assessment EMP Report, please direct them to:

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In terms of Section 11 of the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA), all personal information collected will be processed lawfully and explicitly for the Environmental Authorisation and Water Use Licence Application Processes.

**KITSISO YA KOPO YA TAOLO YA GO DIRA DITIRO MO TIKOLOGONG, LAESENSE YA TAOLO
YA MATLAKALA LE TIRISO YA METSI MABAPI LE PROJEKE E E AKANNGWANG YA
KATOLOSO YA MOEPO O O BULEGILENG WA MIDDLELLAAGTE, E E WELANG KA FA TLASE
GA TAOLO YA MOEPO WA LIMBERG, POROFENSENG YA LIMPOPO**

**KITSISO YA POROJEKE, GO IKWADISA GWA MALOKO A A AMEGANG LE A A NANG LE KGATLHEGO, KOPANO YA
MALOKO A SETSHABA LE PHATLHALATSO YA TOKUMENTE YA TLHATHOBO E E SOSOBANTSWENG YA
TIKOLOGO**

Kopo e dirwa ke: Limberg Mining Company (Pty) Ltd

Lefelo: Karolo ya 0 le 1 ya Polase ya Middellaagte 382 KQ, gaufi le Teropo ya Thabazimbi, Porofense ya Limpopo

Tlhaloso ya porojeke:

Limberg Mining Company (Pty) Ltd ("LMC") ke mong wa Moepo wa Thaba Cronimet Chrome, e bile e dira mo go ona, mo Bokone Bophirima jwa Bushveld Igneous Complex mo karolong ya Mmasepala wa Selegae wa Thabazimbi wa Porofense ya Limpopo. Moepo wa LMC o amogetse tumelelo ya go epa chrome le mafika a losika la Platinum (Platinum Group Metals) (Mining Right 115) ka kgwedi ya Mopitlwe 2010. Tumelelo e, e akaretsa dingwaga di ka nna masome a mararo (30), mme e bile e tsa bogolo jwa diheketa di ka nna 2129 go akaretsa ditiro tsa meepo tse di rulagantsweng mo polaseng ya Middellaagte 382 KQ (Middellaagte Opencast Operations) e e itsegeng gape e le ML3). Tshwanelo e e dumeletsweng ya meepo, tumelelo ya tikologo ("EA") (e amogetswe ka la 16 Tlhakole 2017) le Laesense ya Tiriso ya Metsi (WUL") (e e amogetsweng ka la 14 Sedimonthole 2018). Tumelelo e, e akaretsa kamogelo ya ditiro tse di amanang le Moepo o o bulegileng wa Middellaagte, le ditirelo tse di o tshageditseng. Kopo e diriwang mo Nakong e, e akaretsa go dira gore go nne le bokgoni jo bo dumeletsweng jwa ML3 ka go atolosa le go oketsa tiriso ya metswedi ya metsi le ditlhokego tse dingwe.

Moepo o o akangwang wa Middellaagte, o tla oketsa dihektara di le 6,2 mo godimo ga moepo o o dumeletsweng ka 2017. Gore moepo o mošwa o o akantsweng o kgone go dira, go tlhokega gore go agiwe lefelo la go bolokela matlapa a a se nang dimenerale (WRD), a a tswang ka fa tlase ga mmu, le le ka nngang bogolo jwa 3 166 898m³. Lefelo le la go bolokela matlapa, le tla oketswa mo godimo ga le le setseng le le teng mo moepong mme le dumelletswe. Katoloso ya WRD ML3.1 le ML3.2 e akanngwa gore e kgone go bolokela matlapa a se nang dimenerale a boleng jwa 1 525 795 m³. Lefelo le go kopantsweng WRD ML3.1 le ML3.2 le tla bidiwa WRD ML3.4 mme e tla kgabaganya molatswana wa Bierspruit mo lefelong la maribe a noka. Mafelo a go bolokela mmu a mabedi, a tla tlhokega, jaaka karolo ya koketso e e akanngwang ya moepo o. Ga go na tlhokego ya go aga moago o matlapa a dimenerale a tla tlhwatswetswang e bile a arolwa teng, le meago e mengwe ya ditirelo.

Moepo wa Polatinamo wa Anglo-American ("AAP") ka fa tlase ga Rustenburg Platinum Mines: Lefelo-tirelong la Amandelbult e fitlhelletse ditumelelano le LMC go epa dimenerale mo polaseng ya Middellaagte 382KQ, mo legatong la Limberg. Ditirelo tsa moepo wa Amandelbult di fitlhelwa kwa borwa jwa Limberg Middellaagte Operations. Sejalole se se leng teng sa Concentrator (lefelole la go arola le go sila matlapa a diminerale) le ditirelo tse di amanang le sona di tla dirisiwa go aroganganya matlapa a diminerale. Ditirelo tse dingwe tse di dumeletsweng kwa moepong wa Amandelbult tse di akaretsang ditsela, ditirelo, mafelo a go lathela matlakala le mafelo a bobolekela jwa metsi di tla dirisiwa.

Alta van Dyk Environmental Consultants (Pty) Ltd (AVDE) ba thapilwe ke LMC jaaka baitseanape ba ba ikemetseng go etelela pele dikopo tse di tlhokegang tse di amanang le tikologo le go itsise batsaakarolo ka ga projeke e.

Ditlhokwa tsa tumelelo ya projeke:

Pele ga projeke e ka simolola, go tlhokega gore go nne le ditluto tse di latelang:

- Molao wa Bosetshaba wa Tikologo (NEMA) (Molao 107 wa 1998)
 - Tlathlho e e sosobantsweng kgotsa e e feleletseng e e laetsang tsamaiso ya phetolo ya tikologo
- Molao wa Bosetshaba wa Tikologo: Molao wa go thibela Kgotlelego ya Tikologo: (Molao 59 wa 2008).
 - Tumelelo ya kgotlelego ya tikologo go ya ka tlathlho e e sosobantsweng ya tsamaiso ya phetolo ya tikologo
- Molawana wa Metsi a Setshaba (Molao 36 wa 1998)
 - Kopo ya Tumelelo ya Tiriso ya Metsi (WULA)
 - Tumelelo go ya ka molawana wa GN704

Tlhaloso ya tokumente ya tlathlho e e sosobantsweng ya tikologo

Tokumente ya tlathlho e e sosobantsweng ya tikologo, ga mmogo le ditokumente tsa tlhokomelo ya tikologo di tlhagisitswe mo setshabeng go fa maloko a a amegang le a a nang le kgatlhego nako ya go di sekaseka. Ditokumente tse, di tla nna mo mafelong setshaba a a latelang malatsi a le 30, go tloga ka 11 Mopitlwe go fitlha ka 15 Moranang 2024. Ditokumente di ka amogelwa gape ka tsela ya se-elektroniki mo websaeteng ya AvDE: <https://www.altavandykenvironmental.co.za/public-documents/>

Lefelo la Setshaba	Lefelo	Aterese ya Lefelo
Ofisi ya tshireletso ya moepo wa limber	Thabazimbi	R510
Lefelo la go balela (Library) la Thabazimbi	Thabazimbi	4th Avenue
Di-Ofisi tsa Alta van Dyk Environmental Consultants	Midstream	9 Mount Sherman Crescent Midlands Estate

Fa o rata go ka amogela dikitsiso tse dingwe ka ga porojeke, kgotsa o batla go ntsha maikutlo a gago, mabapi le tokumente ya tlathlho e e sosobantsweng ya tikologo, o kopiwa gore o ikgolaganye le ba ga:

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**Go latela kgaolo ya lesome nngwe (11) ya
Tshireletso ya Tshedimosetso ya botho,
tshedimosetso yotlhe e e kokoantsweng e tla
e dirisiwa fela mo tsamaisong ya kopo ya
tumelelo ya tiriso ya tikologo le tiriso ya
metsi.**