INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS FOR ANGLO AMERICAN PLATINUM RUSTENBURG PLATINUM MINES LIMITED'S DER BROCHEN MINE AMENDMENT PROJECT, LIMPOPO PROVINCE

INVITATION TO REGISTER AS INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF AVAILABILITY OF SCOPING REPORT FOR REVIEW

The Der Brochen Mine is a platinum project owned by Rustenburg Platinum Mines Limited (RPM), a wholly owned subsidiary of Anglo American Platinum (AAP), and is located approximately 25 km south-west of the town of Steelpoort and 40 km west of Mashishing (Lydenburg), in the Limpopo Province. The mine falls within the Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality, under jurisdiction of the Greater Sekhukhune District Municipality.

It is the intention of RPM to amend the Der Brochen Mine's approved Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) and associated Environmental Authorisation (EA) together with updating their existing Water Use Licence (WUL) to include the following:

- The development of a buttress wall at the existing Helena Tailing Storage Facility (TSF) under emergency circumstances, as well as the development of an additional filter press plant at the existing Mototolo Concentrator Plant, as agreed by the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) in October 2017;
- The updated topsoil management plan of the Der Brochen Mine;
- The development and operation of the following additional mining related infrastructure as part of the mine's development strategy:
 - Two new decline shafts (North and South shafts) to access new underground mining operation areas to be mined through the bord-and-pillar mining method. RPM intends to locate the North decline shaft within the previously approved footprint of the North Open Pit area, and the South decline shaft within the previously approved South Open Pit area;
 - Six up-cast ventilation shafts (three ventilation shafts per new decline shafts);
 - A central ventilation area will service both proposed decline shafts;
 - A Dense Medium Separation (DMS) Plant within the existing Mototolo Concentrator area;
 - A DMS Stockpile area and associated pollution control dam;
 - An additional Chrome Plant within the existing Mototolo Concentrator area;
 - Additional Run of Mine stockpiles and silos;
 - Change houses and office complex to be located at each of the decline shafts;
 - An explosive destruction bay area to be located near the proposed South decline shaft;
 - Additional linear infrastructure, i.e. conveyor systems, access and haul roads; and
 - Staff accommodation facilities to be located near the Der Brochen Dam.

The proposed infrastructure and mining related activities will be located on the farms Der Brochen 7 JT (Remaining Extent), Helena 6 JT (Portion 3 and the Remaining Extent) and Mareesburg 8 JT (Portions 1 and 7). Majority of these farms and farm portions fall within the mining and surface rights area of the Der Brochen Mine.

Before RPM may commence with the development of the additional mining related activities, the following environmental authorisations and licence amendment need to be undertaken in accordance with the relevant national legislation:

- A Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) and the National Environmental Management: Waste Act (Act No. 59 of 2008) (NEM:WA) including an amended Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (Act No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA), for submission and approval from the Limpopo Province's DMR; and
- An updated Integrated Water Use Licence (IWUL) and accompanying Integrated Water and Waste Management Plan (IWWMP) under the National Water Act (Act No. 36 of 1998) (NWA), for submission and approval from the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS).

RPM appointed SRK Consulting (South Africa) (SRK) as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to undertake the integrated environmental authorisation and associated public participation process for the above mentioned applications and amendments.

Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are invited to register and comment on the Scoping Report that is available for public comment for a period of 30 calendar days from **25 January 2019 to 25 February 2019.** The Scoping Report will be made available on the SRK website: <u>http://www.srk.co.za</u> and at the following public places during the review period:

Public Place	Locality	Tel No
Mapodile/Eerstegeluk Public Library	735 Kgahlanong Street, Mapodile	013 237 0039
Burgersfort Public Library	Cnr Kort & Eddie Sedibe Str, Burgersfort	013 231 7815
Kalkfontein CPA offices	Kalkfontein (Nokaneng)	No Landline
Pakaneng Community Trust Office	Schaapkraal Farm	No Landline
Gamawela Community Centre	St George Farm	No Landline

Due date for comments on the Scoping Report is 25 February 2019. For more information, kindly contact:

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