

05 December 2022

Dear Stakeholder

Notice of application for an Integrated Environmental Authorisation and Water Use License Application for the proposed Bierspruit Opencast at the Amandelbult Mine, within Thabazimbi Local Municipality, Limpopo Province.

Notice is hereby given in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act 28 of 2002) (amended 2008) ("MPRDA"), the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, under the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No.107 of 1998) ("NEMA") and the National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 2008 (Act 59 of 2008) (NEMWA), that Rustenburg Platinum Mines proposes extending the existing mining operations through the mining of the shallow Merensky and UG2 reefs within the Amandelbult Mining Right Boundary and therefore have to apply for an Environmental Authorisation to amend their existing Environmental Management Programme report (EMPr). An application for a Water Use Licence will also be submitted in terms of the National Water Act (NWA, Act No. 36 of 1998). The EMPr Addendum was initially approved by the Department of Mineral Resources: Directorate Mineral Development: Limpopo Region in 2002 (Reference number: 6/2/2/48).

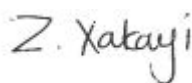
Zutari (Pty) Ltd has been appointed as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to prepare and submit the Application for Environmental Authorisation to the competent authorities, the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) and the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS). Attached, please find a Background Information Document (BID) that contains more information on the proposed project.

The Draft Scoping Report, compiled in terms of the NEMA and the EIA Regulations of Government Notice (GN) No. 982 of 2014, is now available for comment for a period of thirty days (30) starting on **Monday, 05 December 2022 to Monday, 30 January 2023** at the following link: <https://www.zutari.com/bierspruit/>

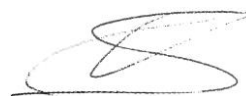
Should you wish to register as an Interested & Affected Party (I&AP), comment or get access to the Draft Scoping Report, please contact the Public Participation Office between **Monday, 05 December 2022 to Monday, 30 January 2023** via the following contact methods:

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Yours faithfully



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