

DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES

NO. 977

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MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2002 (ACT NO.28 OF 2002), AS AMENDED ("THE ACT")

INVITATION FOR WRITTEN COMMENTS ON A PROPOSED INVESTIGATION IN TERMS OF SECTION 50 OF THE ACT

I, SAMSON GWEDE MANTASHE, Minister of Mineral Resources hereby invite written comments on my intention to conduct further investigations to confirm the results of previous geoscientific surveys on geochemical anomalies in, or under the land depicted in the attached **Table 1** hereto, for the possible exploration and exploitation thereof.

It is also my intention to establish and maintain long term access to test sites for geochemical and geophysical tests to be conducted. These test sites are the Roodeplat site for ground geophysical tests and the Vredefort site for airborne geophysical tests.

It is furthermore my intention to establish suitable sites for the passive treatment of mine water as a result of acid mine drainage challenges and to develop techniques for the remediation thereof.

The following are priority discharge and or seepage areas needed for the passive treatment plants:

- (i) Witkranz area (Farm Witkranz 53 FF, portion 11), Carolina, Mpumalanga;
- (ii) Blesbokspruit area (Farm Blesboklaagte 296, subdivision 79), eMalahleni, Mpumalanga; and
- (iii) Princess Dump, Davisonville, Roodepoort, Gauteng.

Written comments and the full particulars of owners, occupiers or persons in control of such land which is the subject of this Notice must, **within 30 days**, be submitted to:

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