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Principle Inspector of Mines
Mine Health and Safety Directorate
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Dear Sir

FORMAL NOTIFICATION OF THE INTENT TO CONSTRUCT THREE CONCRETE PLUGS BETWEEN SIBANYE GOLD'S COOKE 3 SHAFT MINE WORKINGS AND EZULWINI (COOKE 4) SHAFT MINE WORKINGS IN TERMS OF THE MINE HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT 29 OF 1996 (MHSA) AND REGULATION 10.2 OF THE REGULATIONS UNDER THE MHSA

In terms of the above regulation, Sibanye Gold Limited (SGL) hereby gives the Department of Minerals and Resources (DMR) and, specifically its Mine Health and Safety Directorate, formal notification of Ezulwini Mining Company (Pty) Ltd's (EMC's) intention to construct three concrete plugs between SGL's Cooke 3 Shaft mine workings and SGL's Ezulwini (Cooke 4) Shaft mine workings, in order to prepare to isolate the Ezulwini mine workings from the Cooke 3 mine workings.

A Basic Assessment process is currently underway for the environmental authorisation of the decommissioning of the underground operations at the EMC Cooke 4 Shaft. Once the Closure Plan has been finalised, as part of the required Basic Assessment process, a closure application will be submitted to the DMR in terms of section 43(3)(d) of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources

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Development Act 28 of 2002 (MPRDA). Should the necessary approvals be obtained to re-water the Cooke 4 shaft these plugs will ensure that ground water does not enter the Cooke 3 mine workings. However, the construction of these plugs are necessary in any event, even if the Cooke 4 mine workings are not decommissioned, in order to prevent ingress of groundwater into the workings of the neighbouring Cooke 3 mine. Construction is therefore scheduled to commence as soon as possible.

The plug designs have been developed by EMC's appointed engineers, SRK Consulting, and have been designed according to The Chamber of Mines' Code of Practice. Confirmation of this has been provided by SRK, in the attached letter, which also identifies the relevant "competent person", as required by the regulations. The plugs will be constructed and installed by Murray and Roberts Cementation with due oversight by the competent persons from SRK. The detailed designs and construction method for the plugs have been attached to this letter for your consideration and comment. The construction plan indicates that construction will be complete by April 2018.

The site for the installation was selected based on extensive investigation by both EMC and SRK's rock engineers and is reflected in the attached detailed plan and design report.

SGL would appreciate your timely comments on the designs and constructions plans and would like to thank the Department in anticipation for its co-operation in this regard. Please may we request your feedback by the 17th November 2017? We look forward to working with the Department to ensure all that concerns are addressed. Should there be any concerns or should you require that any specific processes be followed in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact myself or Grant Stuart at Sibanye Gold. We are committed to following due process and ensuring that Ezulwini Mine is closed in a safe and sustainable manner.

Yours faithfully



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