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Our Reference: FOSAF/CP

Your reference: MP30/5/1/2/2/505MR

16 August 2012

Dear Sir,

**RE: APPLICATION FOR A MINING RIGHT FOR COAL ON THE FARMS GROENVLEI 353 JT
AND LAKENVLEI 355 JT**

1.1. We refer to the above matter and to the letter from the Mpumalanga Department of Mineral Resources (“**Department**”) addressed to Peter Arderne of the Federation of Southern African Flyfishers (“**FOSAF**”), dated 11 June 2012 (“**June 2012 Letter**”) and received by FOSAF on or about 16 July 2012. A copy of the June 2012 Letter is attached marked “**A**” for your ease of reference.

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- 1.2. We act on behalf of the FOSAF, the Dullstroom Trout Farm and John Mansfield (“**our clients**”), duly registered interested and affected parties in respect of the application for a mining right by William Patrick Bower Colliery (Proprietary) Limited in respect of portions 6 and 23 of the farm Groenvlei 353 JT and portion 12 of the farm Lakenvlei 355 JT under reference number MP30/5/1/2/2/505MR (“**Mining Right Application**”).
- 1.3. We confirm that our clients together with other entities submitted objections in respect to the Environmental Impact Assessment and Environmental Management Programme Report prepared in respect of the Mining Right Application (“**EMP**”) on 16 September 2011 (“**Objections**”). We furthermore confirm that the June 2012 letter recorded that following the Regional Mining Development and Environmental Committee (“**RMDEC**”) meeting on 7 February 2012, RMDEC “*made recommendations to the Minister and you will be informed of the decision thereof*”.
- 1.4. We have been instructed by our clients, as we hereby do, to request, as indicated in the June 2012 Letter, that we be informed of the decision made in respect of the Mining Right Application, as soon as possible after such decision.
- 1.5. We look forward to your response.
- 1.6. We confirm that our clients’ rights are reserved to take any necessary future action which they are entitled to.

Yours faithfully

Caroline Pepermans

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