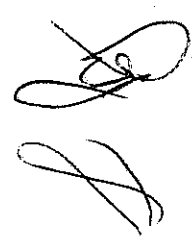


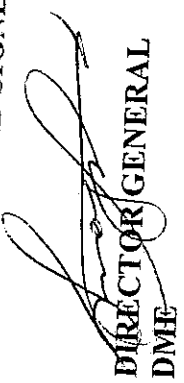
BRIEFING NOTES FOR THE MINISTER OF MINERALS AND ENERGY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND TOURISM

| 1. ONE ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEM | WAY FORWARD/ AGREEMENT BETWEEN DME AND DEAT |
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| | <p>Agreed on the one system, and take note of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amendments required to both NEMA and MPRDA. • Repeal the environmental requirements in the MPRDA into NEMA • All the granting requirements in terms of the MPRDA will remain • Timeframes for the processing of applications for mining permit, mining rights, production right, reconnaissance permission, etc, remain as they are in the MPRDA • Minister of Environmental Affairs and Tourism may, in consultation with the Minister of Minerals and Energy, make regulations on mining related environmental issues • One EIA/EMP process leading to a single authorisation • The application for mining right, prospecting rights etc, include an application for an environmental authorisation • Transitional period for the One System approach is 18 months from the date of the last Bill to be enacted |
| 2. MINISTER OF DEAT BEING THE APPEAL AUTHORITY | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting expressed serious concern on the practical implementation of this agreement. Notwithstanding this, the following is being investigated: |

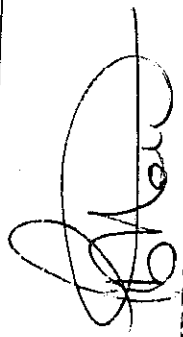


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| | <p>a. The Minister of DEAT to be the appeal authority for all the environmental authorisations issued by DEAT and DME.</p> <p>b. Appeals on administrative issue- Minister of Minerals and Energy to be the appeal authority.</p> |
| <p>3. COMPETENT AUTHORITY</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adopt the definition of the Minister of Minerals and Energy • Setting of the norms and standards for environmental management • Implementation of the norms and standards set by DEAT to be done by DME • DEAT is responsible for the drafting of legislation. • "Competent authority" will be accordingly contextualised in SEMA |

AGREED TO AND SIGNED BY


 DIRECTOR GENERAL
 DME

DATE: 07/02/08



DIRECTOR GENERAL
 DEAT

7 February 2008

DATE: