

Annex D5

## Public Meeting Minutes

**Meeting minutes**

**Environmental  
Resources  
Management**

**Subject/Ref** De Beers Consolidated Mines Ltd (DCBM)  
Waste Management of All Waste Streams for the Existing  
Venetia Mine, Limpopo Province

**Venue** Musina Community Hall, Musina, Limpopo Province

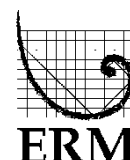
Building 32  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
The Woodlands Office Park  
Woodlands Drive  
Woodmead, 2148

**Date of Meeting** 20 October 2014  
10h00 – 12h00

Facsimile  
Email

**Present**

ERM	Stephanie Gopaul Alta Van Dyk Refilwe Mothibedi
De Beers	Gavin Anderson Tracey Jacquemin Chantelle du Plessis
Public	A.C. Muleya Rev. M.M Maiwashe Monika Singo Mr J.M Rambau K.M. Mafenya Rhoda Mavayala R.O Moraka Mr Sello Prince Sakala Mr Zephaniah Maphane Daisy Sakala



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**Attached:**

*Meeting Attendance Register*  
*Presentation Slides*

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Stephanie Gopaul and Alta van Dyk welcomed the Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) to the public meeting and introduced the Project Management team. The team members are as follows:

- Gavin Anderson- Environmental Manager (De Beers)
- Chantelle Du Plessis- Environmental Superintendent Venetia Mine
- Tracey Jacquemin- Environmental Manager VUP and Project Manager
- Alta Van Dyke- Water Use Licence Environmental Assessment Practitioner (Alta van Dyk Environmental Consultants)
- Stephanie Gopaul- Waste Management License Environmental Assessment Practitioner (Environmental Resources Management)

A detailed presentation was provided to the community highlighting the following:

- DBCM Strategy House (business principles and foundational values)
- The way we behave (DCBM core principles and values)
- Venetia Mine – Historical Overview
- Overview of operations at Venetia Mine
- National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998)- Water Use License Application
- Properties where water uses occur on the mine
- Section 21(a) and 21(b) Water Uses
- Mining Area - Orientation of Water Uses – S21(b) and (g)
- Existing River Diversion - Section 21 (c) and (i) Water Uses
- Amended Use - Consolidated Fine Residue Deposit (FRD) with Buttress – S21(g)
- New Use - Pollution Control Dam 1 (PCD 1); 2 (PCD 2) and 3 (PCD 3) – S21(g)
- New Use - Sewerage Package Treatment Plants
- Existing Use - Waste Management Facility
- Objectives of the Proposed Waste Management Activities
- Waste Generating Areas
- Layout of the Waste Management Facility
- Existing Waste Rock Dumps on Site
- Waste Management Activities Requiring Authorisation
- EIA Process and Listed Activities
- Potential Impacts
- Way Forward
- Proposed EIA Amendment to Environmental Authorisation

The Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) were taken through the posters and the Water Use License and Waste Management License processes were explained in the context of the site, current operations, planned activities and applicable legislative requirements.

Questions raised are recorded in the Comments and Responses Report and the I&APs have been included onto the Project database for future consultation.

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Comment	Commentator
<b>Comments received during the Public Meeting</b>	
1. What will happen to non-hazardous waste?  <i>Response: The non-hazardous waste will be separated and stored in the Waste Management Facility. A certified contractor will remove all waste streams that are to be disposed of off- site.</i>	Mr Sakala  Stephanie Gopaul
2. What kind of hazardous liquids will be stored and where?  <i>Response: The different kinds of hazardous waste which will be stored include: petrol, diesel, etc. These will be stored in large containers. When transported offsite, liquids will not be taken out of containers- this is to prevent leakage or spillage of hazardous liquids.</i>	Mr Sakala  Stephanie Gopaul
3. Other means of notification which should be used to inform the general public about the proposed project should include radio. In most instances, I&APs do not take note of an advert placed in the newspaper and site notices.  <i>Response: Comment noted and Mr Sakala thanked for his input.</i>	Mr Sakala
4. Will there be employment opportunities for the local community?  <i>Response: No new labour is anticipated for the waste contract at this stage as De Beers will continue using the appointed contractors and staff compliment.</i>	Mr. Zephaniah Maphane  Stephanie Gopaul
5. What effect will this process have on our water resources?  <i>Response: There is a storm water management plan in place and this will be revised to suit the revised layout of the Waste Management Facility (WMF) if needed. The Environmental Impact Assessment will rate the significance of any potential impacts to water resources and provide appropriate management/ mitigation measures.</i>	Mr. Zephaniah Maphane  Stephanie Gopaul
6. What are the health risks to the community?  <i>Response: No direct health risks to the community are anticipated.</i>	Rev M.M Maiwashe
7. How will you ensure that the people's health is not adversely affected?  <i>Response: No direct health risks to the community are anticipated. The formalisation of the WMF is a strategy to improve on the current layout thereof; the aim of which is to minimise potential risks.</i>	Rhoda Mavayala  Stephanie Gopaul
8. What will happen to the existing waste management facility?  <i>Response: It will be re-designed and upgraded accordingly.</i>	Ms. Daisy Sakala  Stephanie Gopaul
9. Have all specialist studies been conducted and signed off?	Ms. Daisy Sakala

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	<i>Response: Various specialist studies have already been conducted and will be presented in the EIA for public review.</i>	Stephanie Gopaul
10.	Is there a safety and emergency response plan in place for trucks transporting waste from the Mine?  <i>Response: There is an emergency response plan in place and will be available in the EIA Report.</i>	Ms Moraka  Stephanie Gopaul
11.	Who will be the watchdog?  <i>Response: De Beers will be responsible for monitoring and adherence to the Environmental Management Plan and Environmental Authorisation. There are national authorities that also provide a "watchdog" function.</i>	Mrs. Monika Singo
12.	Does the Municipality have any authority in this application?  <i>Response: The Municipality has authority with regards to by-laws, rates and taxes, and approval of building plans. The municipality will also provide comments on the Scoping Report, EIA and other documents</i>	Rev. M.M Maiwashe
13.	Is De Beers –Venetia Mine commitment to social development in the area <i>ad-hoc</i> or long-term?  <i>Response: De Beers is committed to a long term development plan.</i>	Ms. Daisy Sakala  Alta van Dyk

Stephanie Gopaul thanked the community for attending the meeting and adjourned the meeting at 12:30 pm.