



Notes for the Record

**Ventersburg B Prospecting Right
(FS 30/5/1/1/3/2/1/10528 EM)
Draft BAR and EMPR Public Open Day
OVK (Oos Vrystaat Kaap Koöperasie) Conference Room, Ventersburg
09:00 – 17:00**

28th November 2018

Present:

Ms Zizo Siwendu (Shango Solutions)
Ms Mmakoena Mmola (Shango Solutions)
Mr Francois Myburgh (Shango Solutions)
Mr Hanno Erasmus (Victoria Spruit Farm)
Mr Patrick Lebatla (Hashtag Community Life Innovators)
Mr Sello Lehlekiso (Hashtag Community Life Innovators)
Mr Moseme Moakhi

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		<p>The organisation believes that there is a need for a Local Organising Committee (LOC) which will act as a middleman between the Applicant, the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) and local I&AP.</p>	<p>The EAP takes not of this. Should the project progress to a Mining Right Application stage, this suggestion will be considered.</p>	
3	<p>Comments provided during the Public Open Day have been incorporated into the final Basic Assessment Report and Environmental Management Programme Report.</p>			