



**MHSC**  
Mine Health and Safety Council

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Woodmead Business Park, B7 Maple North, 145 Western Service Road, Woodmead



**NORTH WEST RUSTENBURG REGION TRIPARTITE MEETING**

**TIME: 08H30 – 11H30**

**DATE: 01 November 2018**

**VENUE: ORION SAFARI HOTEL**

**ATTENDANCE REGISTER:** (Available on request)

Chairperson : Philip Coetzer

Scribe : Lester Martin

\_Patrick Morutlwa, Jeremy Jacobs, Derek Baker

**APOLOGIES:**

**One (2)**

**WELCOME**

- ✓ Mr. Philip Coetzer welcomed everyone and mentioned that Patrick and Jeremy sent their apologies and he will be chairing the meeting.
- ✓ The meeting was opened with a prayer.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**Responsible Person**

- ✓ Correction to the previous minutes were noted
- ✓ The minutes were adopted and approved.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS, MOMENT OF SILENCE & SAFETY ACHIEVEMENTS**

**By:  
Philip Coetzer**

**Moment of silence was conducted for all the employees who lost their lives in the Mining Industry. May their soul rest in peace.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- ✓ Word of thanks from the Woman in Mining was done by Zama Matsimbi. She expressed the WIM steering Committee’s appreciation for the support that was given towards the walkathon by the various mining houses and stakeholders. The event was supported by more than 3000 participants. The WIM committee will be striving to make this an annual event.
- ✓ Moving of the RTF venue to Orion Safari Hotel was discussed. The forum was not happy with the new venue as well as the Rustenburg Golf Club. Suggestion for a new venue included Hedge Hodge Nest, Rustenburg Civic Centre or Sun City.

**ACHIEVEMENTS**

- ✓ Impala 14 Shaft achieved 3 million FFS on 19<sup>th</sup> October
- ✓ Siyanda Mine achieved 1 million FFS on 31<sup>st</sup> October
- ✓ Lanxess achieved 2.3 million FFS 30<sup>th</sup> September
- ✓ Tharissa achieved 2 million FFS 28<sup>th</sup> September

**DMR**  
**(Presentation attached)**

By: Tebogo Hadi

- ✓ The presentation highlighted the concern of the increasing fatalities within the country
- ✓ Currently we are at 78 fatalities
- ✓ The fact that more supervisors were getting injured was concerning
- ✓ Mr. Hadi also mentioned the fact that everyone knows the milestones and we need to work towards them
- ✓ Reports concerning medical cases that caused deaths were not completed. It was requested that the DMR check the reasons for it.
- ✓ Feedback on Chapter 4 is required
- ✓ The forum requested an update on the blasting tickets and that it should be included in the presentation
- ✓ Safety Topic: Safe and Health shutdowns at the operations.

**Seismology**  
**(Presentation attached)**

By: Lester  
Martin

- ✓ Lester explained that feedback on the Mine Health and Safety Summit will be given as soon as it has been formalized,
- ✓ He then gave a presentation on the work done by the Mine Health and Safety Council so far on seismicity,
- ✓ Also what was discussed is the current project that has been adjudicated to the Council for Geoscience,
- ✓ A survey will be send out from this project to enhance the website for stakeholder usage. A request was made to support the survey by completing it or/and to send it to the relevant people within your particular organization.

**Collision Avoidance System**

By Gert Venter

- ✓ Gert Venter presented on the EDG collision Avoidance System.

The following questions and answers followed:

- ✓ Q: How is this system different than other systems. What is your cost for this?  
A: No big difference from other systems but EDG is the OEM for this product.
- ✓ Q: What is the liability if the system fails?  
A: The liability lies with the different parties. The risk assessment is drawn up by the specific mines and we fill in with that.
- ✓ Q: What are the advantages and disadvantages of this system?  
A: The GPS accuracy is only accurate to one metre. This system has changed to RTS that is accurate to a mm.
- ✓ Q: Any consideration for underground operations where the operations are fully mechanized?  
A: This is a surface mine project.
- ✓ Q: The radius detection in metres, how is it determined?  
A: The distances are determined by the mine.

**STAKEHOLDERS**

- ✓ **AMCU – Peter Motlogelwa**
  - How many contractors were present at the meeting? They also form part of the mining industry. We require the details of the contractors to contact them.
  - Section 20 appeals done at the DMR. The DMR needs to assist with this process to speed it up as the people are struggling?
- ✓ **UASA- Nico Naude**
  - Road safety discipline is not good. Our employees do not comply with the rules of the road but we expect when they enter the mine gate that they will comply with the rules.
  - Do our employees know that if they travel with someone to work and there is a road accident that only the driver is covered by the Compensation Commission.

- The mines should address commuter policies on the mine and communicate the rules.

✓ **NUM-**

- Agreed on the issue of Section 20 Appeals and the road safety issues.
- Also stated that leadership is not addressed properly at the mines.
- At the mines it is always the managers and the employees that interact the DMR's visibility is low.
- Injuries are escalating but we are only talking and talking, need to act.

✓ **NUMSA – Moses**

- As long as the manager do not listen to the people there will always be problems

✓ **Solidarity –**

- No response

## CLOSING

- ✓ Mr Philip Coetzer closed the meeting and a new venue will be communicated in the near future.
- ✓ Mr Lester Martin also requested input from the forum so that we can improve the value of the forum
- ✓ **The meeting was adjourned at 11:30h00.**
- ✓ **The next meeting will be held on 29 November 2018**

Approved by

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**Tripartite Chairperson**