

Rössing Uranium Limited
MEETING MET: ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSIONER

DATE		Wednesday, 7 November 2012		
VENUE:		City Centre Building, Windhoek		
PROJECT:		Rössing: Mining of the Z20 Uranium Deposit – SEIA process		
PURPOSE:		<p>The purpose of the meeting was to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provide information on the proposed project • discuss the proposed SEIA process to be followed • seek guidance on uncertainties (e.g. rehabilitation criteria, offsets) 		
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1. OPEN

By means of introduction the EC explained his role and some of the current activities his department is engaged with.

2. PRESENTATION

PS informed the EC about the current SEIA for Z20 and explained the approach. It was pointed out that the scoping phase applies to the assessment of both the infrastructure corridor development and the Mining and Quarrying part. The expectation is that the scoping report for the corridor development will indicate no further assessment, but that the Mining and Quarrying part will require further assessment – into 2013.

Possible confusion about the location of Z20 was cleared by pointing out that the resource is located on ML28 and not on the land under auspices of Swakop Uranium. It was thus emphasised that the infrastructure corridor development of Rössing should not be confused with the corridor development for Swakop Uranium.

3. DISCUSSION

The EC emphasised the good reputation of the mining sector in general and Rössing in particular and that the EIA processes are normally smoothly managed and of a very high standard. He also emphasised that Rössing enjoys respect and good faith in its hosting communities.

The EC acknowledged the two applications by signing both. It could not be confirmed whether the applications were also received by his colleagues in the EIA-unit since they were out of office.

The EC was asked about his opinion about rehabilitation criteria, land relinquishment and biodiversity offsets. He responded by admitting that there is need for wide stakeholder engagement – specifically to review on the implementation of the EIA regulations, the functioning of the EC and his office and the gaps such as offsets, mining closure, etc.

4. CLOSE

The EC was thanked for his time and invited for a site visit to Rössing in the future.