



# Rössing Uranium Limited MEETING WITH MINISTRY OF MINES AND ENERGY

DATE		Thursday, 26 October 2012			
VENUE:		MME Building			
PROJECT:		Rössing Uranium: Mining of the Z20 Uranium Deposit – SEIA process			
PURPOSE:		The purpose of the meeting was to:			
		<ul> <li>provide information on the proposed project</li> <li>discuss the proposed SEIA process to be followed</li> <li>provide information on the public participation process</li> </ul>			
		obtain initial comments on the project and the proposed SEIA process			
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## 1. OPEN

Penda Kiiyala (PK) opened the meeting and thanked ES for making time available for the meeting.

#### 2. PRESENTATION

WP and RS presented the proposed project to ES by referring to the prepared powerpoint presentation:

 Technical aspects of the project, including details on the infrastructure corridor (i.e. access road, water and fuel pipelines, power line and overland conveyor), pit and waste rock design, plant changes and tailing facilities

WP also presented the steps that will be conducted for the proposed project SEIA and the social and environmental aspects.

- The SEIA process for the infrastructure corridor will be completed after the Scoping phase.
- The rest of the project components will be further assessed during the next phase (assessment phase).
- MET should therefore be in a position to make a decision on the infrastructure corridor after the scoping phase.

WP explained that during the screening phase the SEIA Team studied existing information in quite some detail. (i.e. previous SEIAs in the area, Rössing monitoring results, information provided by supplier of the conveyor, etc.). The SEIA Team in liaison with Rössing Uranium agreed that the infrastructure corridor can be subject to a Scoping phase only, taking the following into consideration:

- The potential social and environmental impacts relating to this type of activity (linear infrastructure) is fairly well understood;
- the receiving socio-economic and biophysical environment have been studied and contextualised in detail; and
- Additional input/assessment requirements from environmental specialists have been identified and will be included in the Scoping Report. These will be supplemented (where required) by input from I&APs during the PPP.
- A stand-alone SEMP will be developed for the infrastructure corridor.

#### 3. DISCUSSION

The following issues/comments were made during the meeting:

Issue Raised	Raised by	Response
In December there will be a meeting through the Chamber of Mines where such projects can be presented.	ES	Noted
N.B: Application for Environmental Clearance Certificate must be submitted to MET, not MME	ES	Noted. WP: yes, the Application forms were submitted to MET during a meeting with them. The copies of the BID and applications forms were provided to MME for information.
Accessory works permit needs to be applied for before construction works can begin.	ES	RS: Yes, this will be done.
Size of TSF? And what changes will there be?	ES	RS: the proposed changes to the TSF were explained by referring to the map in the presentation. The footprint of the TSF will be about 600ha. The new tailings facility will be a high density facility requiring less water and allow better recycling of valuable process chemicals.
What issues were raised by stakeholders?	ES	RS presented a short summary of the key issues raised during each of the meetings. (refer to minutes of other meetings).
The associated infrastructure is outside of the ML area, within the Swakop Uranium mining licence area.	ES	RS: Yes, this will be discussed with Swakop Uranium.

### 4. CLOSE

PK closed the meeting and thanked ES again for his time and interest in the proposed project.