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MINES AND WORKS ACT, 1956 (ACT NO 27 OF 1956)

Under Section 9(1)(f) of the Mines and Works Act, 1956 (Act 27 of 1956), I, Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, Minister of Minerals and Energy, hereby declare that, in my opinion, the performance on Sunday of work at the mine known as Venetia Diamond Mines, in the Magisterial District of zoutpansberg, in the Limpopo province, is necessary in the national interest for a period of twelve months ending 30 June 2004

MS P MLAMBO-NGCUKA MINISTER OF MINERAL AND ENERGY

SCHEDULE

Description of work

- 1. To load, haul and dump waste rock.
- To load and haul ore from the open pit to the plant, to process ore and recover diamonds.
- The marking and drilling of blast holes and holes for the support of the high walls.
- 4. The blasting of blast holes.
- The supporting of high walls.
- 6. Operational maintenance as required.

Description of mine

The mine is known as Venetia Diamond Mine on the farms Venetia 103 MS, situated in the Magisterial District Of Zoutpansberg, Limpopo Province and at present being worked by De Beers Consolidated Mines Ltd. P O Box 668 Mussina 0900