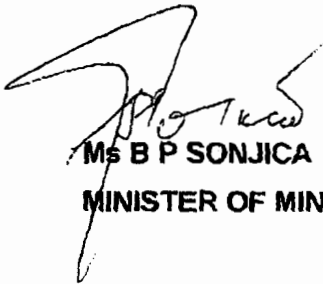


MINES AND WORKS ACT, 1956
(ACT NO 27 OF 1956)

DECLARATION OF WORK IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST

Under Section 9(1)(f) of the Mines and Works Act, 1956 (Act No 27 of 1956), I, Buyelwa Patience Sonjica, Minister of Minerals and Energy, hereby declare that, in my opinion, the performance on Sundays of certain work, details of which appear in the Schedule hereto, at the mine known as Venetia Mine, in the Magisterial District of Vhembe, in the Limpopo Province, is necessary in the National interest for a further period of twelve months ending 30 June 2007.



Ms B P SONJICA

MINISTER OF MINERALS AND ENERGY

SCHEDULE

Description of work

1. To load, haul and dump waste rock.
2. To load and haul ore from the open pit to the plant, for the processing and recovery of diamonds.
3. The marking and drilling of blast holes and holes for the support of high walls.
4. The charging up and blasting blast holes.
5. The supporting of high walls.
6. Related operational maintenance as required.

Description of mine

The mine known as Venetia Mine on the farm Venetia 103 MS, situated in the Magisterial district of Vhembe, Limpopo Province, and at present being worked by De Beers Consolidated Mines Limited, P O Box 616 Kimberly, 8300