

**DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES
DEPARTEMENT VAN MINERALE BRONNE**

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**MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2002
(ACT No. 28 OF 2002)**

**INVITATION FOR REPRESENTATIONS FROM RELEVANT
STAKEHOLDERS ON A PROPOSED RESTRICTION UNDER SECTION
49 (1) OF THE MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES
DEVELOPMENT ACT (ACT No. 28 OF 2002) ON THE GRANTING OF
ANY NEW APPLICATION FOR A RECONNAISSANCE PERMIT,
TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION PERMIT, EXPLORATION RIGHT AND
PRODUCTION RIGHT IN TERMS OF SECTIONS 74, 76, 79 AND 83 OF
THE ACT**

I, Susan Shabangu, Minister of Mineral Resources, having regard to the national interest and the need to promote the sustainable development of the nation's mineral resources, hereby invites representations from relevant stakeholders on my intention to restrict the granting of any new application for a reconnaissance permit, technical co-operation permit, exploration right and production right in terms of sections 74, 76, 79 and 83 of the Act, in respect of the designated areas depicted on the plan attached hereto as Annexure A.

The intended restriction shall not be applicable to applications received and accepted before 1 February 2011, subject to the condition that such applications, if granted, shall not authorize the holder of such right to undertake hydraulic fracturing. Actual hydraulic fracturing shall only be authorized once appropriate amendments to the regulations under the Act have been promulgated.

Representations from relevant stakeholders must be submitted in writing to:

The Director-General
Attention: Mr. Joel Raphela
Department of Mineral Resources
Private Bag X59
Pretoria
0001.

Written representations may also be sent by email to
Joel.Raphela@dmr.gov.za

Written representations must reach the Department by no later than 14 days from the date of publication hereof.



SUSAN SHABANGU, MP

MINISTER OF MINERAL RESOURCES



