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Ref: NEMLA Bill

NEGOTIATING MANDATE

To : The Chairperson:
Select Committee on Land Reform, Environment,
Mineral Resources and Energy

Name of Bill : National Environmental Laws Amendment Bill, 2017

Number of Bill : [B14D-2017]

Date of Deliberation : 21 August 2020

Vote of the Legislature

The Province votes in favour of the Bill and mandates the Eastern Cape delegate to the NCOP to negotiate within the following parameters:

1. Clause 12 (Amending section 28 of NEMA)

Section 28 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No.107 of 1998) which deals with the duty of care and the remediation of environmental damage has extended its powers to include Municipal Managers. The role of Municipal Managers therefore needs to be clarified with respect to Municipalities' capacity to manage the related compliance and enforcement functions.

2. General

Mining in and around World Heritage sites needs to be revisited. The Bill does not address the development of these sites. There is a need for a law to address the development of World Heritage sites using an Environmental Impact Assessment on a case by case basis.

Signed:

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