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Mining Right Application Update

West Wits Mining (ASX: WWI, "**West Wits**" or "**the Company**") provides the following update with regards to the progress of the appeals process and the mining right application for the Witwatersrand Basin Project ("WBP") in South Africa.

On 10th December 2020, the Company advised that the Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries ("DEFF") had notified that it expected to complete a ruling on the appeals by the end of January 2021.

The DEFF, advised in an email to the Company's lawyers late last Friday that the appeal is one of the Department's back log matters and is currently being worked on. It was also confirmed that the DEFF's offices are fully functional, the Department is committed to finalising the appeal soon and aims to provide a recommendation to the minister on the outcome of the appeal in the next two weeks.

Previous delays to the appeals process were as a result of the South African COVID-19 lockdowns in 2020.

The Company continues to proactively engage the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy ("DMRE") and the DEFF with a view to expediting completion of the mining right application process. We invite shareholders or others concerned to contact the Company if they have questions or seek clarifications on any aspect of the process.

West Wits Chairman, Michael Quinert commenting on the delay, "*Whilst these delays are a source of ongoing frustration for all they are understandable given the back log of matters resulting from earlier COVID-19 related shutdowns. The department's efforts to assure us that it is committed to finalising the appeal soon are appreciated and the Board continues to be confident of a positive outcome. The appeals process is not expected to adversely impact the scheduled timing of mine development at WBP with the Bankable Feasibility Study on-track for Q2 2021 completion and supporting infill drilling program at Qala Shallows well advanced.*"

Authorised for release by the Chairman of the Company.



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