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**MINUTES OF THE NORTHERN REGIONAL MEETING OF THE SOUTH
AFRICAN COLLIERY MANAGERS ASSOCIATION HELD AT KRIEL GOLF
CLUB, KRIEL COLLIERY ON 14 JUNE 2007 AT 09:00**

PRESENT: Mr A Fulton, Chairman and 30 members and guests as per the attached attendance register.

APOLOGIES As per attendance register.

1 **WELCOME**

The Chairman welcomed members to the meeting. The Chairman noted that the Northern Regional Chairman, Mr A B Mabbett was unable to chair the meeting that day and that as he was the Vice-Chairman he would chair the meeting on his behalf. The Chairman reported the apology of the Association's President Mr J F Janse van Vuuren and Past President Mr W Marais.

The Chairman asked members to sign the attendance register and noted that attendance at the meeting was important for those members seeking CPD credits.

The Chairman asked members to check their contact details on the membership database being circulated.

The Chairman introduced Mr K Krugel who gave a presentation on Total Mining and its activities both local and international.

The Chairman noted that the host for the day was Total Coal.

2. **GOOD PRACTICE: ACHIEVEMENTS, SUCCESSES AND INCIDENTS**

2.1. **Achievements.** There were no new achievements reported.

2.2. **Accidents and Incidents.** Members reported on various accidents and incidents which had occurred on their mines since the previous meeting on 22 March 2007.

3. **REPORT BACK FROM SACMA COUNCIL**

There was no feedback as there were no members of Council present.

4. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 22 MARCH 2007**

The minutes of the Northern Regional Meeting held on 22 March 2007 were confirmed.

5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

The Chairman asked if there were any matters arising from the minutes and asked that any additional items be included under General at the end of the meeting.

6. **GENERAL**

Coalsafe 2007. The Chairman noted that the remaining Coalsafe roadshows were being completed and that feedback from those that already taken place had indicated good participation and energy.

General Meeting. The next General Meeting of the Association would be held on 16 August 2007 and would be held at the Ermelo Golf Club. The Chairman invited members to participate in this meeting and noted that the notice would be sent out in July 2007.

Regional Meetings The Chairman noted that the next Northern Regional meeting would be held on 12 July 2007 and would be hosted Exxaro.

Papers. The Chairman called on members to submit presentations which could be made at Northern Regional meetings. The Chairman noted that it was now common practice for the host mine to give a presentation on its mine at the beginning of the meeting but that there remained an opportunity for members to give presentations on activities, good practice and innovations from their mines to members.

Intermine Technical Visits. The Chairman reported that the next intermine technical visit which would take place on a quarterly basis would be arranged by Mr M Z T Masondo. Notice of the intermine technical visit would be circulated to members. The Chairman reminded members that the intermine technical visits gave the opportunity for students to visit mines which they would normally be in

a position to do so and that the examiners often prepared examination questions related to such visits.

The Chairman noted that CPD credits were available for these visits.

The Chairman reported that a technical visit would be arranged to the Anglo Coal Water Treatment Project during August 2007.

7. **PRESENTATIONS**

The following presentations were made:

- Richards Bay Coal Terminal Expansion by R Roberts;
- Strata Instrumentation (instrumentation in an underground coal mine) Dr B Madden; and
- Process for Mineral Rights Conversion and MPRDA by A Moyes.

The Chairman thanked the presenters for the most interesting and informative topical presentations and handed them a small token of the Associations appreciation.

8. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

The Chairman thanked members for attending the meeting and the presenters for their quality of presentations.

The Chairman on closing the meeting thanked Mr A B Mabbett, Total Coal for hosting the Association and for the Kriel Golf Club for the arrangements for the meeting and the lunch.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 12:15.

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CHAIRMAN

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