
**DEPARTMENT OF MINERALS AND ENERGY
DEPARTEMENT VAN MINERALE EN ENERGIE**

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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, Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, Minister of Minerals and Energy, hereby declare that, in my opinion, the performance of work at the mine known as Vermiculite Mine, Palabora Mining Company Limited in the Magisterial District of Phalaborwa, in the Northern Province, is necessary in the national interest for a period of twelve (12) months ending 30 November 2003.

P. MLAMBO-NGCUKA**Minister of Minerals and Energy****SCHEDULE*****Description of work:***

1. The loading of ore at the vermiculite mine and stockpiles and the hauling thereof to the plant.
2. The drilling of blast holes and holes for support of high walls.
3. The supporting of high walls.
4. The crushing of ore.
5. The loading and hauling of phosphate ore at Foskor Limited.
6. The loading, hauling and dumping of waste rock.

Description of mine: The mine known as Vermiculite Mine, Palabora Mining Company Limited on the farms Laaste 24 LU, Sheila 10 KU, Merensky 32 LU, Wegsteek 30 LU, Vereeniging 11 KU and Loole 31 LU, situated in the Magisterial District of Phalaborwa, Northern Province and at present being worked by Palabora Mining Company, P.O. Box 65, Phalaborwa, 1390.
