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Definition of Mineral (Cont'd)

iii. Industrial minerals includes a rock or mineral other than gemstones, base metals, energy minerals or precious metals used in their natural state or after physical or chemical transformation, including barites, dolomite, feldspar, fluorspar, graphite, gypsum, ironstone when used as a fluxing agent, kyanite, limestone, phyllite, magnesite, mica, nitrate, phosphate, pyrophyllite, salt, sand, clay, talc, laterite, gravel, potash, potassium minerals, granite, marble, clay, silica, diatomite, kaolin, bentonite or quartz;

iv. Precious minerals include means gold, platinum, palladium, indium, osmium, rhodium, iridium, ruthenium, selenium and silver, or any other relatively scarce, highly corrosion resistant metal of high economic value.



Republic of Zambia

Ministry of Mines and Minerals Development

**MINES AND MINERALS
DEVELOPMENT ACT NO.
11 OF 2015**

**THE MINERAL
TRADING PERMIT**

APPLICATION FOR A MINERAL TRADING PERMIT

A Mineral Trading Permit (MTP) is issued under Division 6I, sections 44 to 46 of the Mines and Minerals Development Act No. 11 of 2015.

1. NEW APPLICATION FOR A MTP

A person wishing to trade in minerals may apply for a MTP to the **Director of Mines (DOM)**.

II. Qualification of Applicant

A MTP shall only be granted to the following persons:

- i. A citizen;
- ii. A **citizen-influenced company** (where 5 to 25% of its equity is owned by citizens and in which citizens have significant control of the management of the company);
- iii. A **citizen-empowered company** (where 25 to 50% of its equity is owned by citizens); or
- iv. A **citizen owned company** (where at least 50.1% of its equity is owned by citizens and in which citizens have significant control of the management of the company).

III. Documentation

Every application for a MTP shall be accompanied by the following documentation:

- i. Duly completed application forms;
- ii. Certified copy of NRC or Passport;
- iii. Bank statement or letter from the bank;
- iv. Copies of business plan and capital outlay;
- v. Valid Tax Clearance Certificate;
- vi. Certificate of Incorporation;
- vii. List of Directors and Shareholders

NOTE: For individual application, the requirements are from (i-v) above while company application requirements are from part (i-vii) above.

2. VALIDITY AND FEES

A MTP is valid for 3 years and is renewable. The fee is K2,800 for the whole period.

3. RENEWAL OF MTP

The holder shall:

- i. Maintain records of buying and selling;
- ii. Submit to the DOM by 15th of each month monthly buying and selling returns.

5. CLASS OF MINERALS

This classification is meant to assist applicants for the MTP in as far as deciding the mineral groupings.

MINERAL means any substance, whether in solid, liquid or gaseous form, occurring naturally in or on the earth or under water, formed by or subjected to a geological process, or any substance occurring in tailing dams, slag dumps, waste rock dumps, residue waste rock dumps, residue stockpiles or residue deposit, but excludes —
(a) water, other than water taken from the land or any water body for the extraction of any mineral from that water; and
(b) petroleum.

Definition of Mineral

The minerals are divided into the following 3 classes:

i. **Base metals** means iron, copper, nickel, aluminium, lead, zinc, tin, magnesium, cobalt, manganese, titanium, scandium, vanadium, molybdenum, chromium, tungsten, tantalum, bismuth, cadmium, zirconium, antimony, beryllium, germanium and rare earth elements, or a non-precious metal that is common or chemically active, or both common and chemically active;

ii. **Gemstones** includes amethyst, aquamarine, beryl, corundum, diamond, emerald, garnet, ruby, sapphire, topaz, tourmaline and any other non-metallic mineral substance used in the manufacture of jewellery;