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**To: Managers of Training Providers Accredited by the MQA for Mineral Excavation  
CEOs of FET Colleges that received Programme Approval from MQA for Mineral Excavation**

**From: Jay Moodley, ETQA Manager**

**Date: 1 September 2010**

**MQA MINING INDABA FOR ACCREDITED TRAINING AND PROGRAMME APPROVED PROVIDERS IN THE  
MINING AND MINERALS SECTOR FOR MINERAL EXCAVATION**

**THEME "LEVEL 3 ROCK BREAKER QUALIFICATIONS"**

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Mining Qualifications Authority (MQA) is a Sector Education and Training Authority (SETA) in terms of the Skills Development Act of 1998. The MQA must, *inter alia*, ensure that the Mining and Minerals Sector has *"accredited providers that will maintain the quality of standards, qualifications and learning provision"*.

MQA has discovered that there are problems with the implementation of the Rock breaking Qualifications within the Sector in the following areas: Underground Hardrock, Underground Coal, Surface Excavation, Quarries and Dimension Stone.

As a result of the above the MQA has initiated Mining Indaba in order to promote communication and professional discussions among the constituent and non-constituent training providers. The purpose of the October Indaba is to:

- Discuss shortcomings with the implementation of the Rockbreaking qualifications
- Communicate and discuss best practice model that should be implemented
- Audits in early 2011

*The forum as indicated below is arranged, this invitation includes accredited providers that provide learning in associated skills programs: Competent A & B, Blasting Assistant, Secondary Blasting and Equipment Operator training. It is essential that all training providers for this scope be represented as vital information will be discussed.*

**Date: Friday, 01 October 2010**  
**Time: 08h30 to 13h00**  
**Venue: To be advised**  
**Agenda: Agenda to follow.**

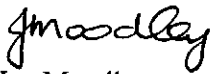
Due to the increase in numbers of participants, the MQA will pay for travel and accommodation *where applicable* by prior arrangement and approval. Only one representative per organisation will be catered for Flight Travel and accommodation.



**Please confirm your attendance with Carol Snare by close of business, Friday 16 September 2010 at:**

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Kind Regards



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**Cc: MQA Managers, CEO, COO, CFO, MQA Standing Committees**