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# **Next Graphite, Inc. Graphite Mining Exploration Approved at Public Hearing**

## **GPNE's Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Given 'Green Light' for Development and Exploration Stage on Aukam Mine Property**

**NEW YORK, NY and WINDHOEK, NAMIBIA / ACCESSWIRE / August 5, 2014** /Next Graphite, Inc. (GPNE) ("Next Graphite", or the "Company"), an exploration/development stage company in Africa's Republic of Namibia targeting the growing global graphite production industry and market demand, today announced that it received no objection from the Affected and Interested Parties Public Consultation held on July 24 in Keetmanshoop, Namibia.

The public consultation was hosted by officials of the Ministry of Environment in the Karas region where Next Graphite's Aukam property is located. Held at the Bird's Mansion Conference Center, community residents and officials from the Ministry of Environment voiced no objections to Next Graphite's Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). As a result, Next Graphite has a preliminary approval pending the final clearance from the Environmental Commissioner to move into its development and exploration stage on its Aukam mining asset.

"Our team of geologists and our Country Manager submitted a concise and detailed plan to the ministries of any and all environmental impact," began Cliff Bream, CEO of Next Graphite. "As a result, the general public and representatives in attendance had no objections, concern, or comment on our EIA to commercialize our graphite mine asset. As reported by our Country Manager, Mulife Siyambango, the officials and local residents are eager to learn of our progress at our mine and the benefits that can come to the local economy as a result. We are accelerating our move into the development and exploration stage at a number of identified areas on our property we expect to be rich in natural flake graphite."

### **About Next Graphite, Inc.:**

Next Graphite, Inc. is an exploration/development stage company targeting the growing global graphite production industry with the Company's 125,000-acre Africa-based Aukam Graphite Project. The Aukam Graphite Mine was established in 1940 in the current Republic of Namibia produced USD\$30 million of graphite at today's prices. The Graphite property is estimated to still contain a significant amount of high grade, vein type graphitic material. Global graphite demand is being driven by the development of new markets for clean and efficient energy alternatives, smart grid infrastructure and military capabilities. Next Graphite has an immediately available, surface-visible, estimated 140,000-ton mine dump along with competitive projected mining and processing costs. The completion of GPNE's Aukam Graphite Mine re-launch and development activities is expected to result in a multi-million

dollar inward investment into Namibia in 2014-2015.

For more information, please visit: [www.nextgraphite.com](http://www.nextgraphite.com)

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