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**ATTENTION:** Madre Hendrikse

Dear Madam

CONFIRMATION OF GENERAL AUTHORISATION IN TERM OF SECTION 21 (C) & (I) OF THE NATIONAL WATER ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 36 OF 1998) FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW MOORREESBURG-VYEVLEI 66KV OVERHEAD POWER LINE

Your application with reference number WFM/LD-4.4.6/004 dated 3 July 2014 has reference.

General Authorisations in terms of section 39 of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) for Water Uses 21 (c) and (i) were published on 18 December 2009 to deal with any minor impedance, diversion or alterations of a watercourse. These include the construction and maintenance activities that will temporary or permanently impede, divert or alter the bed, banks and/or characteristics of a watercourse. The General Authorisation replaces the need for a water user to apply for a Water Use License, provided that the use is within the conditions as set out in the Government Notice No. 1199.

The Department has reviewed the information submitted and has determined that although some of the proposed pylons which will be construction of the new Moorreesburg-Vyevlei overhead power line will be undertaken within the 1:100 year floodline and riparian zone of all minor streams along the power line route, the impact of the activities will not have a detrimental impact on the watercourses identified if all mitigation measures are adhered to. The development may therefore continue as the activities fall within the ambit of the General Authorisation (GA) as published in the Government Notice No. 1199 of December 2009.

Please note that any information on the occurrence of any incident that has or is likely to have a detrimental impact on the watercourse and/or quantity must be communicated to this Department.

Please ensure that you familiarise yourself with the conditions of the GA which has been attached for your convenience. Should you fail to comply with the conditions of this authorisation, your water use will be unlawful.

Should you have any queries, please contact this office.

Yours faithfully

pp PROVINCIAL HEAD: WESTERN CAPE

DATE: 23 September 2014