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PER EMAIL / MAIL

Dear Dr Van Geems

AMENDMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION ISSUED ON 03 JUNE 2014 FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A 66KV OVERHEAD POWERLINE AND NEW SUBSTATION, ON FARM 305/16 EAST OF THE BITOU RIVER, WESTERN CAPE PROVINCE

The Environmental Authorisation (EA) issued for the above application by this Department on 03 June 2014 and the application for amendment of the EA, received by this Department on 24 April 2019 refer.

Based on a review of the reason for requesting an amendment to the above EA, this Department, in terms of Chapter 5 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended, has decided to amend the EA dated, 03 June 2014 as follows:

Amendment 1: Amendment of the Validity Period- Commencement of Authorised Activities:

The activity must commence within a period of five (5) years from the date of expiry of the EA dated 03 June 2014, now extended to **03 June 2024**. If commencement of the activity does not occur within that period, the authorisation lapses and a new application for environmental authorisation must be made in order for the activity to be undertaken.

This letter must be read in conjunction with the EA dated 03 June 2014.

In terms of the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act, 2000 (Act No 3 of 2000), you are entitled to the right to fair, lawful and reasonable administrative action; and to written reasons for administrative action that affects you negatively. Further your attention is drawn to the provisions of the Protection of Personal Information Act, 2013 (Act no. 4 of 2013) which stipulates that the Department should conduct itself in a responsible manner when collecting, processing, storing and sharing an individual or another entity's personal information by holding the Department accountable should the Department abuses or compromises your personal information in any way.

In terms of Regulation 4(2) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 (the Regulations), as amended, you are instructed to notify all registered interested and affected parties, in writing and within 14

(fourteen) days of the date of the Department's decision in respect of the amendment made as well as the provisions regarding the submission of appeals that are contained in the Regulations.

Your attention is drawn to Chapter 2 of National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) National Appeal Regulations published under Government Notice R993 in Government Gazette No. 38303 dated 08 December 2014 (National Appeal Regulations, 2014), which prescribe the appeal procedure to be followed. Kindly include a copy of this document (National Appeal Regulations, 2014) with the letter of notification to interested and affected parties in this matter.

Should any person wish to lodge an appeal against this decision, he/she must submit the appeal to the appeal administrator, and a copy of the appeal to the applicant, any registered interested and affected party, and any organ of state with interest in the matter within 20 days from the date that the notification of the decision was sent to the registered interested and affected parties by the applicant; or the date that the notification of the decision was sent to the applicant by the Department, whichever is applicable.

Appeals must be submitted in writing in the prescribed form to:

Director: Appeals and Legal Review, of this Department at the above mentioned addresses.

By email: Appealsdirectorate@environment.gov.za

By hand:

Environment House

473 Steve Biko Road

Arcadia, Pretoria, 0083; or

By post:

Private Bag X447,

Pretoria, 0001:

Please note that in terms of Section 43(7) of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No. 107 of 1998, as amended, the lodging of an appeal will suspend the environmental authorisation or any provision or condition attached thereto. In the instance where an appeal is lodged, you may not commence with the activity until such time that the appeal is finalised.

To obtain the prescribed appeal form and for guidance on the submission of appeals, please visit the Department's website at https://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms#legal_authorisations or request a copy of the documents at appealsdirectorate@environment.gov.za.

Yours faithfully

Mr Sabelo Malaza

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Date: 22/05/0019

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