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### PER EMAIL / MAIL

Dear Sir/Madam

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF A NEW APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION (SCOPING PROCESS) AND A DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED COMBINED CYCLE GAS TURBINE (CCGT) POWER PLANT ON A PORTION (±130 HA) OF THE REMAINDER OF THE FARM LANGEBOEG 188, MALMESBURY RD, SALDANHA BAY LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, WEST COAST DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, WESTERN CAPE PROVINCE.**

The Department confirms having received the application for environmental authorisation and the Draft Scoping report for the abovementioned project on 14 September 2015. You have submitted these documents to comply with the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014.

Further note that in terms of regulation 45 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 this application will lapse if the applicant fails to meet any of the time-frames prescribed in terms of these Regulations, unless an extension has been granted in terms of regulation 3(7).

You are hereby reminded of Section 24F of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No 107 of 1998, as amended, that no activity may commence prior to an environmental authorisation being granted by the Department.

Yours sincerely

**Mr Sabelo Malaza**

**Chief Director: Integrated Environmental Authorisations**

**Department of Environmental Affairs**

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**Designation: Control Environmental Officer (Grade A): Integrated Environmental Authorisations**

**Date: 17 September 2015**

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### **PER E-MAIL / MAIL**

Dear Mr Botha

### **COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED COMBINED CYCLE GAS TURBINE (CCGT) POWER PLANT ON PORTION OF THE REMAINDER OF THE FARM LANGEBOEG 188, MALMESBURY ROAD WITHIN THE SALDANHA BAY LOCAL MUNICIPALITY IN THE WESTERN CAPE PROVINCE**

The draft Scoping Report (SR) dated September 2015 and received by this Department on 14 September 2015, and the acknowledgement letter of the application form and the SR issued by this Department on 17 September 2015 refer.

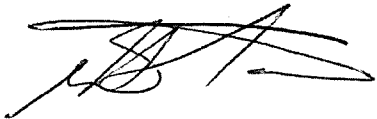
This Department has the following comments on the abovementioned application:

- i. Please ensure that all relevant listed activities are applied for, are specific and that it can be linked to the development activity or infrastructure as described in the project description.
- ii. If the activities applied for in the application form differ from those mentioned in the final SR, an amended application form must be submitted. Please note that the Department's application form template has been amended and can be downloaded from the following link <https://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms>.
- iii. Please ensure that all issues raised and comments received during the circulation of the SR from registered I&APs and organs of state which have jurisdiction (including this Department's Biodiversity Section) in respect of the proposed activity are adequately addressed in the Final SR. Proof of correspondence with the various stakeholders must be included in the Final SR. Should you be unable to obtain comments, proof should be submitted to the Department of the attempts that were made to obtain comments. The Public Participation Process must be conducted in terms of Regulation 39, 40 41, 42, 43 & 44 of the EIA Regulations 2014.
- iv. Please provide a description of any identified alternatives for the proposed activity that are feasible and reasonable, including the advantages and disadvantages that the proposed activity or alternatives will have on the environment and on the community that may be affected by the activity as per Appendix 1 (2) (e) and 3 (1) (h) (i) of GN R.982 of 2014. Alternatively, you should submit written proof of an investigation and motivation if no reasonable or feasible alternatives exist in terms of Appendix 1.

- v. In accordance with Appendix 1 (3) (1) (a) of the EIA Regulations 2014, the details of—  
(i) *the EAP who prepared the report; and*  
(ii) *the expertise of the EAP to carry out Scoping and Environmental Impact assessment procedures;*  
must be submitted.
- vi. You are further reminded that the final SR to be submitted to this Department must comply with all the requirements in terms of the scope of assessment and content of Scoping reports in accordance with Appendix 2 and Regulation 21(1) of the EIA Regulations, 2014.
- vii. Further note that in terms of Regulation 45 of the EIA Regulations 2014, this application will lapse if the applicant fails to meet any of the timeframes prescribed in terms of the these Regulations, unless an extension has been granted in terms of Regulation 3(7).

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Yours faithfully



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**Chief Director: Integrated Environmental Authorisations**

**Department of Environmental Affairs**

**Signed by: Mr Wayne Hector**

**Designation: Deputy Director: Strategic Infrastructure Developments**

**Date:** 09/10/15

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