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Attachments: Background Information Document - Erf 1051 Rockdale.pdf

Dear Sir

RE: THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NEIGHBOURHOOD SHOPPING CENTRE ON ERF 1051 (ZONED PUBLIC OPEN SPACE), ROCKDALE, MIDDELBURG (REF: 1/3/1/16/1N-218)

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It would be appreciated if you could indicate whether you have any comments w.r.t. the proposed project. Comments/issues of concern are to reach us by 2 March 2020.

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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Good day Morne

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Our telephonic discussion this morning (26 February 2020) with regards to the proposed development on Erf 1051, Rockdale, has reference.

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Please note that an estimated time schedule for the EIA process is provided on Page 6 of the Background Information Document.

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Good day

Please find attached SANRAL's comments. For any follow up or new applications, please use nrstat@nra.co.za email address.

Kind regards

Ria

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT

THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NEIGHBOURHOOD SHOPPING CENTRE ON ERF 1051 (ZONED PUBLIC OPEN SPACE), ROCKDALE, MIDDELBURG

Reference number assigned by AdiEnvironmental cc: BA2020/02
Reference number assigned by DARDLEA: 1/3/1/16/1N-218

- Purpose of this document**
- Overview of the proposed project;
 - Overview of the Environmental Impact Assessment Process (EIA) to ensure that Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) understand the process;
 - Invitation to I&APs to participate in the EIA process by:
 - ⇒ Indicating their view points, issues and concerns regarding the activity;
 - ⇒ Suggesting alternatives or ways of mitigating negative impacts and enhancing positive impacts.



Introduction and Legal Requirements

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The applicant, **Chestar Supplies (Pty) Ltd.**, intends to develop a neighbourhood shopping centre on Erf 1051, Rockdale, Middelburg.

The proposed site is ±2ha in extent and located in the residential area of Rockdale, adjacent to the N11 national road (Hendrina Road) (Figure 1).

The Minister of Environmental and Water Affairs listed in terms of Sections 24(2) and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), a number of activities that require an environmental impact assessment (either a Basic Assessment or a full Environmental Impact Assessment) before undertaking these activities.

The proposed project could involve the following listed activities (Government Notice R327 and R324 of 7 April 2017) as identified in terms of Section 24(2), 24(5), 24D and 44, read with section 47A (1)(b) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998:

• **GN R327—Listing Notice 1, Listed Activity 27:** The

clearance of an area of 1 hectares or more, but less than 20 hectares of indigenous vegetation, except where such clearance of indigenous vegetation is required for— (i) the undertaking of a linear activity; or (ii) maintenance purposes undertaken in accordance with a maintenance management plan.

• **GN R324—Listing Notice 3, Listed Activity 12:** The clearance of an area of 300 square metres or more of indigenous vegetation except where such clearance of indigenous vegetation is required for maintenance purposes undertaken in accordance with a maintenance management plan.

• **GN R324—Listing Notice 3, Listed Activity 15:** The transformation of land bigger than 1000 square metres in size, to residential, retail, commercial, industrial or institutional use, where, such land was zoned open space, conservation or had an equivalent zoning, on or after 02 August 2010.

Project Description

The applicant, **Chester Supplies (Pty) Ltd**, intends to develop a neighbourhood shopping centre on Erf 1051, Rockdale, Middelburg (Figure 1). The said site is located adjacent to the N11 national road (Hendrina Road) and ±800m north of the national road within the Rockdale residential area (Figure 1). Coordinates for the centre of the site are: 25°49'22.38"S and 29°31'25.87"E.

The site is ±2ha in extent, an open boggy area and a construction camp for the widening of the N11 national road are present on site.

The proposed shopping centre (±4039m²) will comprise of an anchor shop, various other shops, delivery bays and parking areas. See Figure 2 for the proposed site development plan.

The said property will be rezoned from 'Public Open Space' to 'Business 2' to allow for the development of the shopping centre.

Services will be provided by the Steve Tshwete Local Municipality. Access to the site will be obtained from an internal street connecting to the N11 national road (Figure 2).

Reason for development

The Rockdale residential area (comprising of nearly 5000 households) currently does not have a shopping centre. Residents must commute to Middelburg in order to do their shopping. The applicant plans to provide a neighbourhood shopping centre (within walking distance) where residents can buy their day-to-day convenience items.



Figure 1: Location of site

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