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## PER EMAIL

Dear Mr Battisti

### **AMENDMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION ISSUED ON 03 MAY 2016 FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF THE 33/132KV SUBSTATION AND ANCILLARIES FOR THE AUTHORISED KARUSA WIND FARM NEAR SUTHERLAND WITHIN THE KAROO HOOGLAND LOCAL MUNICIPALITY OF NAMAKWA DISTRICT IN THE NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE**

The Environmental Authorisation (EA) issued for the abovementioned application by this Competent Authority (CA) on 03 May 2016, amendment to the EA dated 10 October 2016 and 13 March 2017, your application for amendment of the EA received by the CA on 31 August 2023, the acknowledgement letter dated 11 September 2023 and additional information received on 18 September 2023, refer.

Based on a review of the reason for requesting an amendment to the above EA, this CA in terms of Chapter 5 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 as amended, has decided to amend the EA dated 03 May 2016, as amended as follows:

#### **Amendment 1: Change contact person and details of the contact person are requested to change**

#### **From**

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**Reason for amendment:**

The applicant applied to amend the contact person and contact details of the holder as the EA, as this has change since the EA was issued due to the resignation of the previous holder, resulting in the appointment of the new Manager Mr Manuele Battisti. The holder of the EA remains ACED Renewables Hidden Valley (Pty) Ltd.

The CA is aware that the environment changes constantly, as a result it might be significantly different from the one that existed at the time of the issuing of this EA, hence the validity of the EA cannot exceed a maximum period of 10 years. Failure to commence with construction activities within the maximum 10-year period, your EA will be deemed to have lapsed and a new application for Environmental Authorisation will have to be lodged.

This proposed amendment letter must be read in conjunction with the EA dated 03 May 2016, as amended.

In terms of Regulation 4(2) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended (the EIA Regulations), you are instructed to notify all registered interested and affected parties, in writing and within fourteen (14) days of the date of the decision, of the Department's decision as well as the provisions regarding the submission of appeals that are contained in the EIA Regulations.

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 stipulate 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 abuse or compromise your personal information in any way.

Your attention is drawn to Chapter 2 of the 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 prescribes 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 twenty (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:**

The Director: Appeals and Legal Review of this Department at the below mentioned addresses.

By email: [appealsdirectorate@dffe.gov.za](mailto:appealsdirectorate@dffe.gov.za)

By hand: Environment House  
473 Steve Biko  
Arcadia  
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By post: Private Bag X447  
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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.dffe.gov.za/documents/forms#legal\\_authorisations](https://www.dffe.gov.za/documents/forms#legal_authorisations) or request a copy of the documents at [appealsdirectorate@dffe.gov.za](mailto:appealsdirectorate@dffe.gov.za).

Yours faithfully



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**Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment**  
Date: 06/10/2023