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Dear Mr Vandrey

CORRECTION TO THE AMENDMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION ISSUED ON 26 OCTOBER 2021 FOR THE 217MW SAN KRAAL WIND ENERGY FACILITY (WEF) AND ASSOCIATED 132kV GRID CONNECTION TRANSMISSION POWER LINE SOUTH EAST OF THE TOWN OF NOUPOORT WITHIN THE UMSOBOMVU LOCAL MUNICIPALITY IN THE NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE AND THE INXUBA YETHEMBA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY IN THE EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE.

The Environmental Authorisation (EA) issued for the above application by this Department on 26 October 2021, your letter dated and received by this Department on 05 November 2021, refer.

In terms of Regulation 27 (4) of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended this Department has decided to amend the abovementioned decision to correct the 'non-substantive' error as requested. In reaching its decision, the Department considered the following information:

- 1. The request for correction letter dated 05 November 2021;
- The EA issued for the original EA 14/12/16/3/3/2/1029 issued on 28 June 2018;
- 3. The original application for splitting the EA dated 26 September 2019 and the accompanying final Amendment Report dated December 2019; and
- 4. The EA issued for the split EA (14/12/16/3/3/2/1029/1) following the appeal process for San Kraal WEF on 26 October 2021.

The applicant requested the following corrections:

# Amendment 1: Amendment to the Substation Centre Coordinates:

The applicant requested that the Substation Centre Coordinates on page 6 of the EA be changed:

## From:

<b>Substation Centre Coordinates</b>	Longitude:	Latitude
	31°15'55.44" S	25°2'1" E

#### To:

Substation Centre Coordinates	Longitude:	Latitude
	31°14'55.27"S	25°1'1.68" E

#### Reason for amendment:

The details are as per the final revised amendment report dated July 2021.

# Amendment 2: Amendment to the Construction Camp Laydown Area Coordinates:

The applicant requested that the Construction Camp Laydown Area Coordinates on page 6 of the EA be changed:

#### From:

Construction Camp Laydown Area Coordinates	Longitude:	Latitude
	31°13'23.92" S	24°2'43.58" E

## To:

Construction Camp Laydown Area Coordinates	Longitude:	Latitude
	31°13'23.95" S	25°2'44.04" E

# Reason for amendment:

The details are as per the final revised amendment report dated July 2021.

# Amendment 3: Amendment to the technical details of the proposed powerline:

The applicant requested that the height of the powerline poles on page 8 of the EA be changed:

## From:

"A max of 30m"

#### To:

"A max of 45m"

#### Reason for amendment:

The details are as per the final revised amendment report dated July 2021. This is the maximum height permitted based on SACAA.

# Amendment 4: Amendment of Condition 59:

Condition 59 on page 18 of the EA is amended:

#### From:

"All internal powerline/cables must follow internal access roads."

#### To:

"All internal powerline/cables must follow internal access roads where technically feasible."

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Correction to the Amendment of Environmental Authorisation Issued On 26 October 2021 for the 217MW San Kraal Wind Energy Facility (WEF) and associated 132kV Grid Connection Transmission power line South East of the town of Noupcort within the Umsobornyu Local Municipality in the Northern Cape Province and the Inxuba Yethemba Local Municipality in the Eastern Cape Province.

#### Reason for amendment:

This allows for scope if following the internal access roads is not technically feasible.

### **Amendment 5: Amendment of Condition 60:**

Condition 60 on page 18 of the EA is amended:

#### From:

"All powerlines linking the turbines to the on-site substation must be buried."

# To:

"All powerlines linking the turbines to the on-site substation must be buried where technically feasible."

### Reason for amendment:

This allows for scope if burying of the powerlines is not technically feasible.

Please note that this letter must be read in conjunction with the Environmental Authorisation dated 26 October 2021, as amended.

Yours faithfully

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