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PER EMAIL

Dear Dr Van Heerden

AMENDMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION ISSUED ON 28 SEPTEMBER 2015 FOR THE 150MW KAI GARIB CSP TOWER FACILITY AND ITS ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE ON PORTION 3 OF THE FARM MCTAGGARTS CAMP 453 NEAR UPINGTON, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

The Environmental Authorisation (EA) issued for the abovementioned application by this Department on 28 September 2015, amendment to the EA dated 11 November 2015 and the application for amendment to the EA received by the Department on 28 February 2020 and acknowledged on 09 March 2020 refers.

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 (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended, has decided to amend the EA dated 28 September 2015 as follows:

Amendment: To lapse the EA issued on 28 September 2015

Condition 6 of the abovementioned EA is amended to lapse the validity period of the EA, i.e. the EA lapses from the date of this decision and a new application for environmental authorisation must be made in order for the activity to be undertaken.

Reasons for the amendment

- The Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) of 2019 did not make provision of the CSP allocation in the energy mix until 2032.
- The applicant intends to commence with a new environmental impact assessment process for environmental authorisation for the proposed solar PV facilities which will be in line with Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) of 2019.
- The applicant is to bid the new solar PV facilities once authorised in the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy's (DMRE) Renewable Energy Independent Power Producers (REIPPP).

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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 14 (fourteen) days of the date of the EA, of the Department's 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:


The Director: Appeals and Legal Review of this Department at the below mentioned addresses.
By email: appeals@environment.gov.za;

By hand: Environment House
473 Steve Biko Road,
ARCADIA,
Pretoria,
0083; or

By post: Private Bag X447,
Pretoria,
0001;

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 appeals@environment.gov.za.

Yours faithfully


Mr Sabelo Malaza
Chief Director: Integrated Environmental Authorisations
Department of Environmental Affairs
Date: 17/03/2020

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