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22 March 2013

DEA ref: 12/12/20/1967

Dear Stakeholder,

Amendment of Environmental Authorisation: Proposed Renewable Energy Facility at the Richtersveld Local Municipality, Northern Cape Province, 12/12/20/1967

You are hereby informed that Richtersveld Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd submitted an application on 12 December 2012 to request an amendment of an environmental authorisation issued for the Proposed Renewable Energy Facility at the Richtersveld Local Municipality, Northern Cape Province, 12/12/20/1967, in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended, and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations 2010.

Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) issued a decision on 14 March 2013 regarding the amendment application. The department decided <u>not to amend</u> the authorisation, with reasons stated in the letter (appended herewith).

The DEA suggested that a separate Basic Assessment in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2010, for the listed activity 10 in Listing Notice 1 must be commissioned as opposed to an amendment application.

Chapter 7 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2010 (GN R. 543), in terms of Section 24(5) of the National Environmental Management Act, prescribes a right to appeal DEA's amendment decision. Should you wish to appeal the decision, please carefully follow the procedures outlined on the decision letter.

Thank you for your participation in the environmental assessment for the proposed activity and please contact the undersigned if you have any queries about the contents of this letter.

Yours Sincerely

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