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PER MAIL / E-MAIL

Dear Ms Smith

COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT MAINTENANCE MANAGEMENT PLAN (MMP) FOR THE PROPOSED RESTORATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE BLUE STONE QUARRY WALL, ROBBEN ISLAND

The draft Maintenance Management Plan (MMP) received by the Department on 28 January 2021, refers.

## The Department has the following comments on the draft MMP:

- i. Please ensure that the proposed maintenance works to be undertaken does not trigger any listed activities that may require environmental authorization.
- ii. Please ensure that all other maintenance and remedial work activities must be within and must not result in any expansion of the exiting footprints of the affected relevant structures.
- iii. Please be advised that should any revision of your development comprise any other activities that constitute a listed activity/ies as defined in GN R983, R984 and R985 of 04 December 2014 as amended, an Application for Environmental Authorisation must be lodged with the relevant Competent Authority prior to the commencement of construction activities.
- iv. MMP must include the copy of the newspaper advert as well as proof of ensite notice as per requirement of public participation process.
- v. MMP must include a proof of notification of the availability of draft MMP for comments to I&APs and also Copies of all comments received during the circulation of the draft MMP including this Department's comments.
- vi. A comments and Response report (C&R) of all comments received from Interested and affected parties (I&Aps) as well as this Department must be submitted with the final MMP. The C&R report must incorporate all comments for this development. Please note that a response such as "Noted" is not regarded as an adequate response to I&APs' comments.

- vii. Proof of public participation process conducted as per approved public participation plan must form part of final MMP
- viii. The final MMP must include contact details of the applicant.

You are hereby reminded of Section 24F of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No 107 of 1998, as amended, that no maintenance activities requiring approval from the Department in terms of the EIA Regulations, 2014 as amended, may commence prior to the approval of the Maintenance Management Plan by the Department.

Yours sincerely

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