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PER MAIL / E-MAIL

Dear Ms Smith

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

The draft Maintenance Management Plan (MMP) dated May 2021 and received by the Department on 25 May 2021, refers.

The Department has the following comments on the draft MMP:

- i. It is noted that the submitted draft MMP triggers the exclusion of activity 19A and all sub listing activities (i, ii and iii) have been applied for and included in the MMP. You are therefore requested to include the description of proposed project which is applicable to the listed activity. Please ensure that all relevant listed activities are applied for, are specific and can be linked to the development activity or infrastructure as described in the project description. Only sub listing activities applicable to the proposed development must be applied for and assessed.
- ii. Please ensure that the proposed maintenance works to be undertaken does not trigger any listed activities that may require environmental authorization.
- iii. 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.
- iv. 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.
- v. A comments and Response report (C&R) of all comments received from Interested and affected parties (I&As) as well as this Department must be submitted with the final MMP. The C&R report must

incorporate all comments for this development and responses provided for each comments. Please note that a response such as "Noted" is not regarded as an adequate response to I&APs' comments.

- vi. Kindly ensure to include the contact details for the applicant in the final MMP.
- vii. Recommendations of the Avifaunal impact Assessment must be incorporated in the MMP.
- viii. The MMP must include the Specialist Declaration of Interest form for the Avifaunal Specialist on the Department's template and the template can be obtained from the Department's website.

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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