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Dear Mr Silinga

**MINISTERIAL DIRECTION IN TERMS OF SECTION 79(1) OF THE NATIONAL PORTS ACT, 2005 (ACT NO. 12 OF 2005) FOR TRANSNET NATIONAL PORTS AUTHORITY (TNPA) TO GRANT KARPOWERSHIP SA (PTY) LTD ACCESS AT THE PORT OF NGQURA, PORT OF RICHARDS BAY AND PORT OF SALDANHA BAY FOR THE RISK MITIGATION INDEPENDENT POWER PRODUCER PROCUREMENT PROGRAMME FOR A PERIOD OF 20 YEARS**

I, Fikile April Mbalula, in my capacity as the Minister of Transport, hereby issue a Ministerial Direction to the Transnet National Ports Authority (TNPA) in terms of Section 79(1) of the National Ports Act, 2005 (Act No. 12 of 2005) to grant Karpowership SA (Pty) Ltd to access the Ports of Ngqura, Richards Bay and Saldanha Bay for the Risk Mitigation Independent Power Producer Procurement Programme for a period of 20 years.

The access in question is in respect of the electricity generation in the following ports:

1. Port of Ngqura for (450MW);
2. Port of Richards Bay for (450MW); and
3. Port of Saldanha Bay for (320MW).

This Direction is subject to the following conditions:

- Any fixed assets such as buildings, pipelines, etc., which constitute a permanent fixture will be transferable to the TNPA, which must be available for use by other operators after the 20 years period of this Direction.
- Promote the employment of South African seafarers throughout the 20 years period.
- Provide bursary programs for ratings, cadets and officers including a mechanism for the seafarers to obtain the practical element of sea time in order to progress up to the highest possible STCW Certificate of Competence for cadets and officers or STCW Certificate of Proficiency for ratings.
- South African repair and maintenance facilities, companies and services be used for most operational requirements. This includes using South African ship yards as far as possible.
- Register at least 1 vessel on the South African Ship Register, either directly or through any partner operating on behalf of Karpowership during the 20 years period.

- Use local supply chain resources, ship agents, ship chandlers and assist in the development of SMME's as defined by the BBBEE Act.

The Direction for the Port of Ngqura is subject to the use of the LNG facility which Strategic Fuel Fund will build, and in respect of the Port of Saldanha to use the LNG facility which the Central Energy Fund will build as a common user facility.

The TNPA reserves the right to include all the necessary commercial and safety requirements or agreements it considered necessary over the period covered by this Direction.

Karpowership remains obliged to obtain all other statutory approvals and consent(s) as prescribed in law and as may be reasonably required by the TNPA.

This Direction is also subject to all other government approvals such as Environmental approvals from competent government departments and/or authorities.

Kind regards



Fikile Mbalula, MP  
**MINISTER OF TRANSPORT**

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