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To: **GDARD**
Attention: **Steven Mukhola**

Dear Sir,

REQUEST FOR CONFIRMATION OF PROPOSED FILLING STATION ON ERF 1 OF THE APPROVED WATERVALSPRUIT X38, EKURHULENI METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY, GAUTENG PROVINCE

APPLICATION NR: GAUT 002/21-22/E2988

1. Project Description

Project Name:

Proposed Filling Station on Erf 1 of the Approved Watervalsspruit X38, within the jurisdiction of Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality, Gauteng Province. The proposed filling station area is 0.46 ha. The approved land use is "Public Garage". A maximum total storage capacity of 500 000 litres is required.

Project Applicant:

Cosmopolitan Projects Johannesburg (Pty) Ltd

Listed Activities for a Basic Assessment Process:

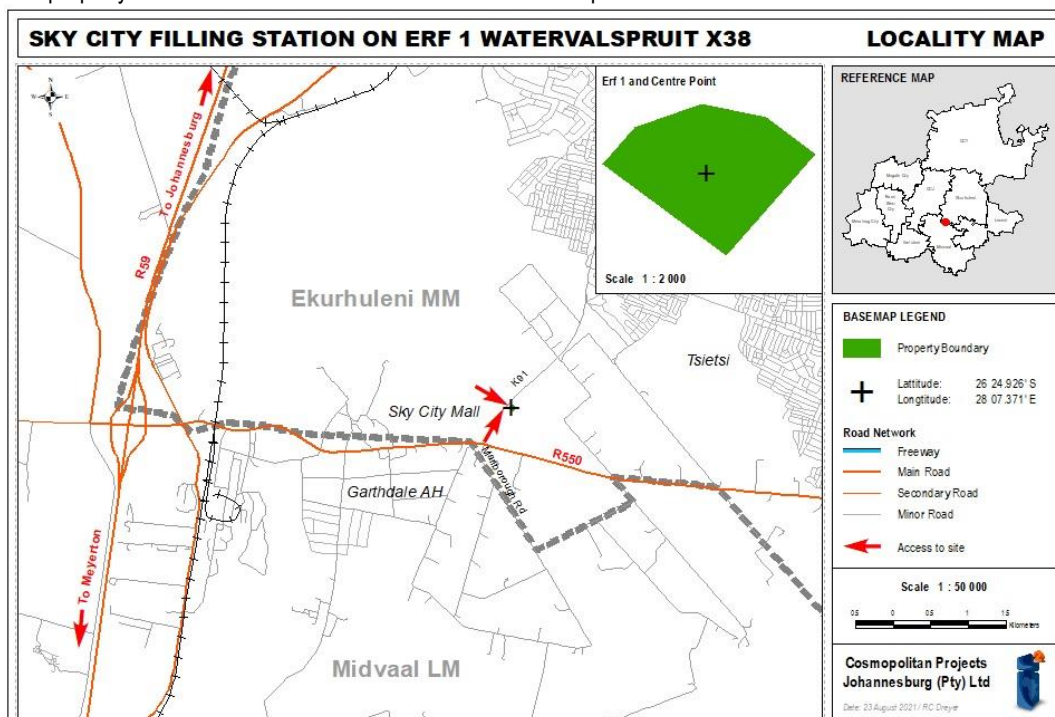
The following obvious activity from Listing Notice 1 is triggered:

Activity Nr 14: 'The development and related operation of facilities or infrastructure for the storage, or for the storage and handling, of a dangerous good, where such storage occurs in containers with a combined capacity of 80 cubic metres or more, but not exceeding 500 cubic metres.'

Additional activities could be added during the course of the investigations.

Project Locality:

The property is situated on the corner of the K91 and Cosmopolitan Drive.



2. Public Participation actions and time frames proposed

Phase 1 Notification

- Laminated A2 onsite notifications to be placed with a 30+7 days (total 37 days) response period to register as an Interested and/or Affected Party.
- Placement of a newspaper advertisements in The Citizen notifying the public of the project with a 30+7 days (total 37 days) to register as an Interested and/or Affected Party.
- A complete list of Key Stakeholders and Interested & Affected Parties (I&APs) to be compiled and maintained throughout the entire project period.
- Notification letter to be distributed to Key Stakeholders and I&APs.

Phase 2 BAR Phase

- Distribution of the Draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR) for comment via e-mail to everyone on the list of Key Stakeholders and I&APs.
- Where stakeholders do not have access to the internet; they will be notified telephonically of the availability of the Draft BAR at any of the following non-exhaustive list of methods: websites, Zero Data Portals, community or traditional authorities, Cloud Based Services Where stakeholders cannot be reached telephonically, notification will be sent via registered post.
- We propose that 30 + 7 days (total 37 days) apply for comment on the Draft BAR.

3. Notification of Environmental Authorisation

All registered Interested & Affected Parties will be informed of the decision of the Gauteng Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (GDARD) as soon as Environmental Authorisation had been received. All stakeholders will also be notified of the relevant appeal procedure.

4. Directions regarding measures in terms of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No. 57 of 2002)

The following directions as published on 29 April 2020 in the government Notice No. R 480 of the Government Gazette No. 43258 will be followed during the Public Participation Process:

- Where site visits are requested, the number of attendees will be restricted as far as possible.
- Meetings with stakeholder and I&APs will be conducted virtually via Microsoft Teams.
- Where stakeholders and I&APs do not have access to the internet and could not join meetings via Microsoft Teams, they will be contacted via cell phone to join the meeting.
- Where stakeholders do not have access to the internet; they will be notified telephonically of the availability of the reports at any of the following non-exhaustive list of methods: websites, Zero Data Portals, community or traditional authorities, Cloud Based Services.

Based on the above, it is the opinion of the EAP that the above actions provide reasonable opportunity for all stakeholders to comment on the application. We await your e-mail response in this regard. Should you however require that a Public Participation Plan Discussion Meeting take place, we are available at any time provided by yourself.

Kind regards



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