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NOTICE OF BASIC ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

EXPANSION OF LIQUID OXYGEN (LOX) AND DIESEL STORAGE AT THE AIR PRODUCTS FACILITY LOCATED WITHIN THE COEGA SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE, PORT ELIZABETH, EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE

Project Name: Expansion of Liquid Oxygen & Diesel Storage at the Air Products Facility located within the Coega Special Economic Zone (SEZ), Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape Province.

Applicant: Air Products South Africa (Pty) Ltd.

Location: Within the existing Air Products Coega plant on Erf 228 within the Coega Special Economic Zone (SEZ), Zone 3, East of Motherwell.

Proposed Activity: The expansion of Liquid Oxygen (LOX) storage facilities will entail either the addition of 1 x 127,3m³ double walled storage tank (to make up a total 200m³ storage capacity); or the total replacement of the existing 72,2m³ Liquid Oxygen tank with 1 x 200m³ tank. The construction of a new aboveground composite diesel storage tank with a capacity of 23m³ and associated infrastructure. The existing project site is ~1.3ha in extent.

Basic Assessment Process: Air Products (Pty) Ltd withdrew application ref no: ECm1/C/LN1/M/40-2019 on the 06 November 2019 due to the reconsideration of the layout of storage infrastructure at the site and therefore intends to undertake new a Basic Assessment and public participation process to address the new layout options. In terms of Sections 24 and 24D of NEMA, as read with the EIA Regulations 2014 of GNR324 – R327, a Basic Assessment process is required to obtain Environmental Authorisation for the proposed expansion. An application for Environmental Authorisation for the project has been lodged with the Eastern Cape Department of Economic Development, Environmental Affairs and Tourism (EC DEDEAT) as the competent authority. Savannah Environmental is undertaking the required environmental impact assessment and public participation process.

Basic Assessment Report available for Review: The Basic Assessment Report will be available for review and comment for 30 days from the **Wednesday, 05 February 2020** until **Friday, 06 March 2020** at the Motherwell Public Library located, Cnr. Umlu & Ngqokweni Street, Motherwell. The report will also be available for download on <https://www.savannahsa.com/public-documents/other/>. The due date for written comment is **Friday, 06 March 2020**.

To obtain further information and register on the project database, please submit your name, contact information and interest in the project to:

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SITE NOTICES

PROOF OF SITE NOTICES (Date placed: 30 January 2020)



Figure 1: Site Notice (No.1) Placed at the entrance to the Coega site

Co-ordinates: 33°47'34.98"S; 25°37'35.57"E



Figure 2: Site Notice (No.1) Placed at the entrance to the Air Products Coega site

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Electronic Notice

As per Coega Development Corporation's
requirements

NOTICE OF BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Notice is hereby given in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations 2014 (as amended in 2017) published in Government Notice Regulation (GNR) 982 (as amended by GNR 326), regarding the proposed expansion of Liquid Oxygen and Diesel storage to be located at the Air Products (Pty) Ltd site within Zone 3 of the Coega Special Economic Zone (SEZ).

In respect of the above, the applicant, Air Products (Pty) Ltd withdrew application ref no: ECm1/C/LN1/M/40-2019 on the 06 November 2019 due to the reconsideration of the layout of storage infrastructure at the site and therefore intends to undertake a new Basic Assessment process to address the new layout options.

The following Listed Activities require authorisation in terms of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, published in terms of Section 24(5) of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA, Act No 107 of 1998):

- Activity 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; and
- Activity 67: Phased activities for all activities—(i) listed in this Notice, which commenced on or after the effective date of this Notice or [(ii)] similarly listed in any of the previous NEMA notices, which commenced on or after the effective date of such previous NEMA Notices; [where any phase of the activity may be below a threshold but where a combination of the phases, including expansions or extensions, will exceed a specified threshold.

The Competent Authority is the Eastern Cape, Department of Economic Development, Environmental Affairs and Tourism (EC DEDEAT)



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