

APPENDIX 2.9
WRITTEN COMMENTS RECEIVED ON THE DRAFT EIR

Jeremy Blood

From: Doretha Kotze <dkotze@wcdm.co.za>
Sent: 15 April 2015 08:46 AM
To: Nomi Muthialu
Cc: westcoastdm@wcdm.co.za; CCA Info (ZA)
Subject: Draft EIR & EMP: Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water License Area, off West Coast of SA

Ref: 13/2/12/3/3

Sir/Madam

The West Coast District Municipality has no comments on the Draft EIR for the proposal.

However, should Saldanha Bay Harbour be identified as the onshore logistics base for the operation, all legislative requirements pertaining to associated activities, should be adhered to.

Regards

Doretha Kotze
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Jeremy Blood

Subject: FW: 16/1/14
Attachments: MX-M310N_20150415_153933.pdf

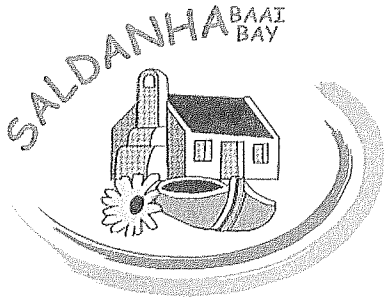
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Sent: 15 April 2015 03:50 PM
To: Nomi Muthialu
Cc: Mun
Subject: FW: 16/1/14

Good afternoon Nomi

Please find attached comment from SBM on the draft Environmental Impact Report for the Proposed Shell Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area.

Regards

Nazeema



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Ms Nomi Muthialu

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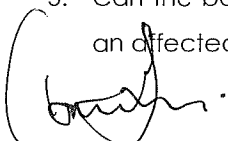
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Dear Madam

RE: PROPOSED EXPLORATION DRILLING IN THE ORANGE BASIN DEEP WATER LICENCE AREA OFF THE WEST COAST OF SOUTH AFRICA:DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

1. The Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa: Draft Environmental Impact Report dated February 2015 has reference.
2. Please indicate if further studies will be conducted on the impact on the selected onshore support base.
3. Please ensure that the selected accommodation is appropriately authorised to accommodate the employees.
4. The Waste Manager of the SBM must be contacted with regard to waste which will be brought ashore if Saldanha is the onshore support base such that there is compliance with the municipal by-law on waste.
5. Can the ballast water reports be made available on request to an interested an affected party?


pp: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

Date: 15 / 04 / 2015
/nd

Jeremy Blood

From: Dadu <litigation@steynkinnear.co.za>
Sent: 04 March 2015 08:46 AM
To: Mfowabo Maphosa
Cc: Wynand Venter
Subject: Re: EIA Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa
Attachments: ShellOBIAPNotificationEmaiEnglish_February2015.rtf; Shell OB DEIR - Executive Summary (ENGLISH).pdf; email letter - DEIR EMPPr Rev 0 (Feb 2015) - ENGLISH.pdf

Dear Madam,

The abovementioned matter as well as the e-mail below refers.

Kindly provide us with a copy of the comment form for interested and affected parties, where after we shall revert back accordingly.

Trust that you find the above in order and await your reply

Kind Regards,



Mrs. D. Oberman
Personal Assistant to
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Sent: 02 March 2015 04:42 AM
To: Wynand Venter

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From: Dadu <litigation@steynkinnear.co.za>
Sent: 04 March 2015 02:15 PM
To: Nomi Muthialu
Cc: Wynand Venter
Subject: RE: EIA Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa
Attachments: Completed Comment Form.pdf

Dear Madam,

The abovementioned matter, previous correspondence as well as your e-mail below refers.

Please find attached hereto the completed comment form for your attention.

Your urgent response will be highly appreciated.

Trust that you find the above in order and await your reply.

Kind Regards,



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From: Nomi Muthialu [<mailto:NomiM@nma.org.za>]
Sent: 04 March 2015 11:44 AM
To: Dadu; Mfowabo Maphosa
Cc: Wynand Venter

PROPOSED EXPLORATION DRILLING IN THE ORANGE BASIN DEEP WATER
LICENCE AREA OFF THE WEST COAST OF SOUTH AFRICA

DRAFT EIR / EMPR ADDENDUM COMMENT FORM

Would you or your organisation like to remain / become a registered I&AP and continue to receive information on the proposed project?

Yes No

Name: Wynand Venter

Designation: Attorney for Organisation below

Organisation: Greenflash Trading 251 (Pty) Ltd

Postal address: P.O. Box 2758, Brooklyn Square, 0075

Email address: wynand@stephkinneer.co.za

Tel. number: 021 460 8232

Fax number: 086 273 5361

Please provide comment on the proposed project, Draft EIR and EMPR Addendum below (use extra pages as required).

We act on behalf of Greenflash Trading 251 (Pty) Ltd, the holder of prospecting right WC 30/5/1/1/2/10023 PR off the western coastline in the Vredendal Van Rynsdorp Administrative/Magisterial District.

The proposed project overlaps our client's prospecting right and activities to prospect.

However, although our client does not wish to object to the project and EIR/EMPR, subject to consultation and reference to such consultation and arrangements agreed upon reflected in the EIA/EMPR, we wish to schedule such discussions soonest.

Kindly advise.

Regards.

Please forward to:
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Comment Form must reach
NMA Effective Social
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15 April 2015

Jeremy Blood

From: Wynand Venter <wynand@steynkinnear.co.za>
Sent: 04 March 2015 04:31 PM
To: Nomi Muthialu
Cc: Dadu
Subject: RE: EIA Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa

Thank you, much appreciated.

Kind regards,



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Sent: 04 March 2015 04:10 PM
To: Dadu
Cc: Wynand Venter
Subject: RE: EIA Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa

Good day Sir

I would like to acknowledge receipt of your email which will be forwarded to the relevant project team member.

Regards

Nomi

Jeremy Blood

Subject: FW: EIA Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa

From: Pinehas Auene [<mailto:PAuene@mwtc.gov.na>]
Sent: 24 March 2015 17:01
To: Nomi Muthialu
Subject: RE: EIA Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa

Dear Ms Muthialu

Many thanks for the email.

Where (online etc) can I access the specialist study report on oil spill modelling?

Kind regards

Pinehas N. Auene | Deputy Director: Marine Pollution Control and SAR | Directorate of Maritime Affairs | Ministry of Works and Transport | Tel: +264 64 208 6300 | Fax: +264 64 205266 | Customs Building, Rikumbi Kandanga Road, Walvis Bay, Namibia | Private Bag 5004, Walvis Bay, Namibia | pauene@mwtc.gov.na | www.mwtc.gov.na



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From: Nomi Muthialu [<mailto:NomiM@nma.org.za>]
Sent: 24 March 2015 04:39 PM
To: Pinehas Auene
Subject: FW: EIA Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa

Good day Mr Auene

The email below was sent to you on 2 March and subsequently but bounced back and I am not certain if you did receive it? I also tried to phoned your office a few times and it seems the numbers I have no longer work. I am happy to report that I was able to find your new phone number today and spoke to Dr Silishebo. I am therefore resending the email to you. Please see email below and attached document and kindly acknowledge receipt of the email.

This email contains a letter and the executive summary to the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) prepared as part of the Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment process being undertaken for the proposal by Shell South Africa Upstream B.V. (Shell) to undertake exploration drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa.

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Jeremy Blood

Subject: FW: SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR PROPOSED EXPLORATION DRILLING IN THE ORANGE BASIN DEEP WATER LICENCE AREA, WEST COAST, SOUTH AFRICA

Attachments: EIA Review - Shell.docx

From: Richard Byrnes [<mailto:rbyrnes@iemseg.com>]

Sent: 06 April 2015 09:01 PM

To: Jeremy Blood

Cc: Nomi Muthialu

Subject: RE: SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR PROPOSED EXPLORATION DRILLING IN THE ORANGE BASIN DEEP WATER LICENCE AREA, WEST COAST, SOUTH AFRICA

Dear Jeremy

Please find attached the results of our consultancy departments review of the Impact Assessment. I hope you find all in order.

Please feel free to contact me should you need any further information or explanation.

Best Regards

Captain Richard Byrnes

Chief Executive Officer

International Environmental and Marine Services



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International Environmental & Marine Services (IEMS)
Draft Environmental Impact Report
Orange Basin DW Drilling
BACKGROUND DOCUMENT - (Dated February 2015) Review

Consultancy Services

Document Review

Prepared By Geo. Khaled El Haw
Title Consultancy Manager
Date 06/04/15

| Document | Consultants |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Draft Environmental Impact Report for proposed exploration drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water license Area Off the West Coast of South Africa Dated 17 th Feb 2015 DEA REFERENCE NO.: SHE01WD/DEIR/Rev.0 | CCA Environmental (Pty) has been appointed by Shell to compile Draft Environmental Impact Report. |



International Environmental & Marine Services (IEMS)
Draft Environmental Impact Report
Orange Basin DW Drilling

BACKGROUND DOCUMENT - (Dated February 2015) Review

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| Executive Summary | | | | | |
| 5.2 | Xii | Accidental Oil Spill (UPSET CONDITION) | Blow-out Scenarios | 2 Scenarios for blow-out are 5 days & 20 days. | <p>The duration of blow-out scenarios do not stipulate method of assumption or mathematical calculation. Additionally there is little information on blowout control.</p> <p>We recommend that the blow-out scenario considers;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Relief well options – Available drilling units, time to position etc. 2. Duration required to mobilize the capping equipment and the control unit. 3. Debris removal time to position capping equipment. |
| 6.10 | Xix | Accidental Release of oil | Oil Spill Response Plan | Full detail of the plan contents | <p>The plan should be prepared in accordance to the various oil spill risks and mitigated through the tiered response concept which identify Tier 1 resources available onsite either offshore site or on logistic base also identify the arrangement of Tier 2 and 3 during the drilling operations.</p> |
| The plan shall include but not limited to :- | | | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alert Procedure and Immediate Actions. - Oil Spill Response Organization. - Action Cards. - Oil Spill Response Options/ Strategies. - Termination of the Response. - Oil Spill Response Forms. - Response Actions. - Facilities & Products. - Environmental Sensitivities. - Response Technical Guidelines & Limitations. Environmental & Socioeconomic Context. | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Oil Spill Risk Assessment. - Exercise and Training. - Emergency Directory. - Oil Spill Response Equipment Inventory. - Response Equipment and Maintenance / Inspection Pan. - Facilities Specifications. - MSDS Manual - Oil Spill Modeling Report - Shoreline Survey & Response Strategies. | | |



International Environmental & Marine Services (IEMS)
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Orange Basin DW Drilling
BACKGROUND DOCUMENT - (Dated February 2015) Review

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| Chapter 5 : Impact Assessment | | | | | |
| 5.1.2 | 5-3 | Discharges/ Disposal to the sea | Mitigation | | Add :- - SOPEP and SOPEP kits for drilling unit and Support/STB vessels. |
| 5.7 | 5-28 | Accidental Release of oil | Scenarios | Small instantaneous spill | Explain the sources or initiating events of spills. |
| 5.7.2 | 5-37 | Potential Impacts of an accidental oil spill | Mitigation | | Add :- - Add OSR Equipment. |

General Comments:-

1. There is no mention of an oil spill within logistic base in Cape Town or Saldanah Port.
2. There appears to be no scenario for support vessels (collisions) during the transit between the drilling rig offshore and logistic base in Cape Town or Saldanah Port.
3. There appears to be no consideration of passing ship / collision scenario with the drilling unit.
4. There appears to be no mention of the offshore diamond mining South Africa and the affect a catastrophic blowout would have on the industry.

PROPOSED EXPLORATION DRILLING IN THE ORANGE BASIN DEEP WATER LICENCE AREA OFF THE WEST COAST OF SOUTH AFRICA

Our Ref:

Enquiries: Tara van Niekerk
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CaseID: 6506

Date: Wednesday April 15, 2015

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Letter

In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Shell South Africa Upstream BV
Carel Van Bylandtlaan 5
The Hague
Zuid - Holland

The Netherlands

In February 2012 Shell South Africa Upstream B.V. (hereafter referred to as "Shell"), a subsidiary of Royal Dutch Shell plc, obtained an exploration right for the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA). The licence area is approximately 37 290 km² in extent. The eastern border of the Licence Area is located between approximately 150 km and 300 km off the West Coast of South Africa roughly between Saldanha Bay (33°S) and Kleinsee (30°S), with water depths ranging from 500 m to 3 500 m

The South African Heritage Resources Agency would like to thank you for responding to our previous comment and submitting the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) on the proposed exploration drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area, West Coast, South Africa.

In reference to our previous correspondence dated the 30 October 2014 and sections 4.1.4.6 (b) and 5.4 regarding archaeological sites, SAHRA's comments are as follows:

Section 4.1.4.6 (b), thank you for amending the information in the report. However, please note that even though there are no "known" shipwrecks in the proposed area. It does not automatically mean that the area is void of any archaeologically significant material.

Section 5.4, SAHRA has noted the mitigation measures put in place by the proposed project. In accordance with our previous correspondence, if any heritage resources are identified during seabed surveys for the proposed works, they are to be assessed in terms of their archaeological significance and impact from the proposed drilling. Based on the information and data supplied, SAHRA would then determine in terms of Section 2 and 35 of NHRA the impact on the site.

Once again we would like to bring to your attention, that in terms of section 2 (ii) (c) of the NHRA 25 of 1999 "archaeological means...wrecks, being any vessel or aircraft or any part thereof, which was wrecked in South Africa,...and any cargo, debris or artefacts found associated therewith, **which is older than 60 years or which SAHRA considers to be worthy of conservation**". These include all protected sites or objects lying in South Africa's internal waters, territorial waters or maritime cultural zone and falls under the national competency of SAHRA's Maritime and Underwater Cultural Heritage Unit.

Please note that all reports need to be submitted through the SAHRIS case.



The South African Heritage Resources Agency

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**PROPOSED EXPLORATION DRILLING IN THE ORANGE BASIN DEEP WATER
LICENCE AREA OFF THE WEST COAST OF SOUTH AFRICA**

Our Ref:



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CaseID: 6506

Date: Wednesday April 15, 2015

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an agency of the
Department of Arts and Culture

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

Tara van Niekerk
Heritage Officer: Maritime and Underwater Cultural Heritage Unit
South African Heritage Resources Agency

John Gribble
Manager: Maritime and Underwater Cultural Heritage Unit
South African Heritage Resources Agency

ADMIN:

Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/177465>

Terms & Conditions:

1. This approval does not exonerate the applicant from obtaining local authority approval or any other necessary approval for proposed work.
2. If any heritage resources, including graves or human remains, are encountered they must be reported to SAHRA immediately.
3. SAHRA reserves the right to request additional information as required.



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PER MAIL/ E-MAIL

Dear Mr Blood

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED EXPLORATION DRILLING IN THE ORANGE BASIN DEEP WATER LICENCE AREA, WEST COAST, SOUTH AFRICA

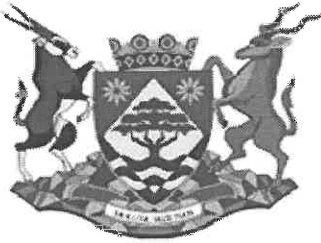
The Department confirms having received the draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report for the above-mentioned project on 02 March 2015.

The Department will start reviewing once the final Environmental Impact Assessment Report has been received.

You are hereby reminded that the activity may not commence prior to an Environmental Authorisation being granted by the Department.

Yours sincerely

Mr Sabelo Malaza
Chief Director: Integrated Environmental Authorisations
Department of Environmental Affairs
Letter signed by: Mr Herman Alberts
Designation: Environmental Officer: Integrated Environmental Authorisations
Date: 16/03/2015



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NOTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME ADDENDUM FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT.

The Department confirms having received the Draft EI Report and EMP Addendum for Environmental Impact Assessment for environmental authorisation of the above mentioned project on them **03rd March 2015**. As required in term of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2010.

The application has been assigned the reference number **NC/NAT/NAM/ORAN/2014**. Kindly quote this reference number in any future correspondence in respect of the application. Please note the responsible officer is going to be Ms. O. Ndzumo and can be contacted at **(027) 718 8800**.

Yours faithfully

Ms. L. Toois-Bernado
Learner: Impact Management

Jeremy Blood

From: Bernard van Lente <bernard.vanlente@sanparks.org>
Sent: 29 March 2015 08:16 PM
To: Nomi Muthialu
Subject: RE: [Message 1 of 2] EIA Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa

Thanks I got it.

regards

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From: Nomi Muthialu [<mailto:NomiM@nma.org.za>]
Sent: 24 March 2015 03:17 PM
To: Bernard van Lente
Subject: RE: [Message 1 of 2] EIA Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa

Good day Mr van Lente

The email below with attachments was sent to you on 2 March and several time thereafter but bounced back. I called your office today to confirm your email address which we have as bernardvl@sanparks.org and which your receptionist confirmed is the correct address. I am resending the email with all attachments as two separate emails in case the files are too big for your mailbox. Please see attached document and kindly acknowledge receipt of the emails.

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The attached letter and executive summary are also available in Afrikaans and isiXhosa upon request.

Should you have any queries, or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best Regards

Jeremy Blood

From: Yogini Jivanji <Yogini.Jivanji@capetown.gov.za>
Sent: 24 March 2015 04:30 PM
To: Nomi Muthialu
Subject: RE: EIA Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa

Dear Nomi,

You are welcome and I have forwarded your email, together with the attachments, through to Mr. Gretton for his perusal.

Have a pleasant evening.

Kind Regards,
Yogini

From: Nomi Muthialu [<mailto:NomiM@nma.org.za>]
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2015 1:12 PM
To: Yogini Jivanji
Subject: RE: EIA Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa

Good day Yogini

Thanks very much for taking my call and agreeing to pass this information through to Mr Gretton. As indicated we sent this email through on 2 March and made subsequent attempts to send it again without success. See below and attached information for Mr Gretton.

Dear Mr Gretton

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Best Regards

Nomi Muthialu

Jeremy Blood

Subject: FW: EIA Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa

From: Patrick Silishebo [<mailto:PSilishebo@mwtc.gov.za>]

Sent: 25 March 2015 15:46

To: Nomi Muthialu

Cc: Pinehas Auene; Johannes Muzanima

Subject: RE: EIA Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa

Dear Nomi,

This serves to confirm receipt of your mail below which I will share with our environmental division after which will be able to revert to you.

All efforts to reach us appreciated.

Regards

P Silishebo

From: Nomi Muthialu [<mailto:NomiM@nma.org.za>]

Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2015 4:32 PM

To: Patrick Silishebo

Subject: RE: EIA Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa

Good day Dr Silishebo

The email below was sent to you on 2 March and subsequently but bounced back and I am not certain if you did receive it? I also tried to phoned your office a few times and it seems the numbers I have no longer work. I am happy to report that I was able to find your new phone number today so we were able to make contact with you. I am therefore resending the email to you. Please see email below and attached document and kindly acknowledge receipt of the email.

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Jeremy Blood

From: Ngesi, Phumla <NgesiP@petroleumagencysa.com>
Sent: 02 March 2015 08:46 AM
To: Mfowabo Maphosa
Subject: RE: EIA - Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa

Morning,

Confirming receipt.

Kind regards,

Phumla

From: Mfowabo Maphosa [<mailto:MfowaboM@nma.org.za>]
Sent: Monday March 02, 2015 02:38 AM
To: Ngesi, Phumla
Subject: RE: EIA - Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa

Dear Sir/Madam

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Jeremy Blood

From: collaborator@swartland.org.za
Sent: 04 March 2015 10:01 AM
To: Mfowabo Maphosa
Subject: Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep

Importance: High

Your Reference Number: 1480493

We Acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 2015-03-03 regarding EIA Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep by Shell SA and confirm that the correspondence is being referred to the relevant Department for attention. Reference Number: 1480493

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Jeremy Blood

From: BBotes <bbotes@ncpg.gov.za>
Sent: 30 March 2015 11:46 AM
To: Nomi Muthialu
Subject: RE: [Message 1 of 2] EIA Proposed Exploration Drilling in the Orange Basin Deep Water Licence Area off the West Coast of South Africa

Good day,

I hereby confirm receipt of your e-mail.

Kindly note that your e-mails was forwarded to Mr B. Fisher for his further attention.

His contact details are as follows:

B. Fisher
Tel: 053 - 8077431
E-mail: bfisher@ncpg.gov.za

His P.A. is Ms Judy Scholtz and her contact details are as follows:

Tel: 053-8077431
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Regards

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>>> "Nomi Muthialu" <NomiM@nma.org.za> 3/26/2015 5:38 PM >>>
Good day Ms Botes

The email below with attachments was sent to you on 2 March and several time thereafter but bounced back. I called your office a few times and managed to reach you today on leave (my apologies!) and you confirmed that the email address which we have on our system is correct. I am resending the email with all attachments as two separate emails in case the files are too big for your mailbox. Please see attached document and kindly acknowledge receipt of the emails.

Jeremy Blood

From: bryan fisher <croninroad@gmail.com>
Sent: 30 March 2015 02:45 PM
To: Nomi Muthialu
Subject: Drilling Orange Basin

This is to confirm that I did receive your mail

Thanks
Bryan



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Dear Ms Muthialu

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF THE SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED EXPLORATION DRILLING IN THE ORANGE BASIN DEEP WATER LICENCE AREA, WEST COAST, SOUTH AFRICA.

Scoping and EIA Report has reference.

The Chief Directorate: Integrated Coastal Management (ICM) in the Branch: Oceans and Coast (O&C) hereby acknowledges the receipt of the Scoping and EIA Report and appreciates the opportunity to comment on this document in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA).

ICM is regarded as an interested and affected party for providing comments/advice on EIA documents relating to the coastal environment, and the commenting period afforded in terms of NEMA is noted in this regard. It is important to note that should comments not be received within the prescribed timeframe, it must be assumed that the ICM has not yet finalised the comments/advice as requested. In this instance a further communication will be sent to the applicant to allow ICM an extension of the timeframe.

Yours Sincerely

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Ms Nosipho Ngcaba

Director – General

(Acting) Letter signed by: Andre Share

Designation: Chief Director: Integrated Coastal Management

Date: 26/08/2014