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PER FACSIMILE / MAIL

Dear Mr Cooper

SECOND AMENDMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION ISSUED ON 15 MAY 2010 AND APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT DEVELOPMENT FINAL LAYOUT FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A WIND ENERGY FACILITY AND ITS ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE ON A SITE NEAR COOKHOUSE IN THE EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE

With reference to the abovementioned application, please be advised that the Department in terms of powers vested in it in terms of regulation 42 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2010, has decided to amend the project details on page 3 of 14 of the environmental authorisation (EA) dated 25 May 2011 to read as follows:

- Two substations (each approximately 150 m x 200 m in size) within the boundaries of the site, each in an appropriate position to receive generated power via underground distribution cabling from each wind turbine; and
- Overhead 400 kV power lines linking up with existing Poseidon Substation located central to the site.

This amendment must be read in conjunction with the Environmental Authorisation dated 25 May 2010 and the first amendment to the EA granted on 01 September 2011.

The Project Development Final Layout dated 05 October 2011 submitted in order to comply with the requirements of Condition 1.14 of the EA dated 25 May is hereby approved. This final layout includes all amendments made to the EA and is not in conflict with the environmental sensitivities identified through the EIA, or the conditions of the EA. This final layout should be regarded as a 'living document', which may be amended from time to time as and when the need arises. Amendments to the final layout must be approved by this Department.

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in terms of regulation 10(2) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2010 (the Regulations), you are instructed to notify all registered interested and affected parties, in writing and within 12 (twelve) days of the date of the EA, of the Department's decision in respect of your application as well as the provisions regarding the submission of appeals that are contained in the Regulations.

Your attention is drawn to Chapter 7 of the Regulations, which prescribes the appeal procedure to be followed. This procedure is summarised in the attached document. Kindly include a copy of this document with the letter of notification to interested and affected parties.

Should the applicant or any other party wish to appeal any aspect of the decision a notice of intention to appeal must be lodged by all prospective appellants with the Minister, within 20 days of the date of the EA, by means of one of the following methods:

By facsimile:

012 320 7561:

By post:

Private Bag X447, Pretoria, 0001; or

By hand:

2nd Floor, Fedsure Building, North Tower,

cnr. Van der Walt and Pretorius Streets,

Pretoria.

If the applicant wishes to lodge an appeal, it must also serve a copy of the notice of intention to appeal on all registered interested and affected parties as well as a notice indicating where, and for what period, the appeal submission will be available for inspection, should you intend to submit an appeal.

Please include the Department (Attention: Director: Environmental Impact Evaluation) in the list of interested and affected parties, notified through your notification letter to interested and affected parties, for record purposes.

Appeals must be submitted in writing to:

Mr T Zwane, Senior Legal Administration Officer (Appeals) of this Department at the above mentioned addresses or fax number. Mr Zwane can also be contacted at:

Tel: 012-310-3929

Email: tzwane@environment.gov.za

The authorised activities shall not commence within twenty (20) days of the date of signature of the authorisation. Further, please note that the Minister may, on receipt of appeals against the authorisation or conditions thereof suspend the authorisation pending the outcome of the appeals procedure.

Yours sincerely

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Deputy Director-General: Environmental Quality and Protection

Department of Environmental Affairs

Date:

CC: Ms Karen Jodas

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APPEALS PROCEDURE IN TERMS OF CHAPTER 7 OF THE NEMA EIA REGULATIONS, 2010 (THE REGULATIONS) AS PER GN R. 543 OF 2010 TO BE FOLLOWED BY THE APPLICANT AND INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES UPON RECEIPT OF NOTIFICATION OF AN

ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION (EA)

APPLICANT		INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES (IAPs)	
1.	Receive EA from the relevant Competent	1.	Receive EA from Applicant/Consultant
"	Authority (the Department of Environmental	1,	HOWITO FO HOLL UNKNOWN ACCOUNTS
	Affairs [DEA])		
2.	Within 12 days of date of the EA notify all	2.	N/A
-	IAPs of the EA and draw their attention to		
ĺ	their right to appeal against the EA in terms		
	of Chapter 7 of the Regulations.		
3.	If you want to appeal against the EA,	3.	If you want to appeal against the EA, submit a
	submit a notice of intention to appeal within		notice of intention to appeal within 20 days of
	20 days of the date of the EA, with the		the date of the EA. with the Minister of Water
	Minister of Water and Environmental		and Environmental Affairs (the Minister).
	Affairs (the Minister).	<u> </u>	
4.	After having submitted your notice of	4.	After having submitted your notice of intention
	intention to appeal to the Minister, provide		to appeal to the Minister, provide the applicant
	each registered IAP with a copy of the		with a copy of the notice of intention to appeal
	notice of intention to appeal within 10 days	ļ	within 10 days of lodging the notice
<u> </u>	of lodging the notice		A state of the same of the fine House
5.	The Applicant must also serve on each	5.	Appellant must also serve on the Applicant within 10 days of lodging the notice,
	IAP:	ĺ	a notice indicating where and for what
	a notice indicating where and for what		period the appeal submission will be
	period the appeal submission will be		available for inspection by the applicant.
6.	available for inspection. The appeal must be submitted in writing to	6.	The appeal must be submitted to the Minister
٥.	the Minister within 30 days after the lapsing	ט.	within 30 days after the lapsing of the period of
	of the period of 20 days provided for the		20 days provided for the lodging of the notice of
	lodging of the notice of intention to appeal.		intention to appeal.
7.	Any IAP who received a notice of intention	7.	An Applicant who received notice of intention to
1	to appeal may submit a responding		may submit a responding statement to the
	statement to that appeal to the Minister		appeal to the Minister within 30 days from the
	within 30 days from the date that the		date that the appeal submission was lodged
	appeal submission was lodged with the		with the Minister.
	Minister.		

NOTES:

1. An appeal against a decision must be lodged with:-

a) the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs if the decision was issued by the Director-General of the Department of Environmental Affairs (or another official) acting in his/ her capacity as the delegated Competent Authority;

b) the Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development if the applicant is the Department of Water Affairs and the decision was issued by the Director- General of the Department of Environmental Affairs (or another official) acting in his/ her capacity as the delegated Competent Authority;

An appeal lodged with:-

- a) the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs must be submitted to the Department of Environmental Affairs;
- the Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development must be submitted to the Department of Environmental Affairs;
- 3. An appeal must be:
 - a) submitted in writing;
 - b) accompanied by:
 - a statement setting out the grounds of appeal;
 - supporting documentation which is referred to in the appeal; and
 - a statement that the appellant has complied with regulation 62 (2) or (3) together with copies of the notices referred to in regulation 62.

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