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Dear Stakeholder

**INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT
PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF AN AGRI-URBAN ESTATE
CALLED, THE ANGELUS ESTATES, SITUATED TO THE NORTH OF
VAN REENEN WITHIN THE FREE STATE AND
KWA ZULU NATAL PROVINCE.**

In terms of the:

National Environmental Management Act, Act 107 of 1998 (NEMA) and associated EIA
regulations and listed activities;

National Environmental Management: Waste Act, Act 59 of 2008 (NEMWA) and
associated listed activities;

National Water Act, Act 36 of 1998 (NWA).

AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

BACKGROUND

Tambhura Property Investments (Pty) Ltd (land development applicant) is proposing the development an agri-urban estate called, The Angelus Estates, situated to the north of Van Reenen, within both the Free State and Kwa-Zulu Natal Province. The total footprint of the development will be 1117.8 ha. The proposed development will consist out of five farms. Two farms (Portion 1 of the Farm Paulina 1516 (310.5 ha in size) and Farm Geluk 969 (388.3 ha in size) are situated in the Free State Province and three farms (Portion 6 of 2 of the Farm Nolans Volens 2384 (202.9 ha in size), Portion 2 of the Farm Nolans Volens 2384 (200 ha in size), Portion 20 of the Farm Scotston 4130 (15.9 ha in size) – are situated in the Kwa-Zulu Natal Province. Services will be implemented and new development areas are proposed.

The site is situated between Harrismith (approximately 35km to the north west of the proposed site) and Ladysmith (approximately 55km to the south east of the proposed site), Van Reenen is adjacent to the south of the proposed develop area.

Tambhura Property Investments (Pty) Ltd appointed **DWV Environmental Consulting** as the independent environmental consultancy to facilitate the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and public participation process required for the project. The EIA

process consists of two phases, namely the Scoping Phase and the detailed EIA Phase. The EIA process has now progressed to the review period of the draft Scoping Report.

Notice is hereby given that the **Draft Environmental Impact Report** for the proposed The Angelus Estates will be available for public review from **Friday 20 July 2011 to Friday 31 August 2012** at the following venues:

- **Harrismith Public Library:** Cnr Murray and Warden Streets Harrismith. Tel: (058 622 2411) Operating Hours: 9:00am to 17:00pm (Monday to Friday), 9:00am to 12:00pm (Saturday).
- **Ladysmith Public Library:** Cnr Murchison and Alexander Streets Ladysmith. Tel: (036 631 4643). Operating Hours: 9:00am to 17:00pm (Monday to Friday), 9:00am to 12:00pm (Saturday).
- **Van Reenen Tourism Office** – van Reenen: Adjacent to the Caltex Garage next to the N3, Van Reenen Tel: (083 645 9486) Operating Hours: 9:00am to 17:00pm (Monday to Friday), 9:00am to 12:00pm (Saturday).

I&APs are encouraged to review the draft EIA Report and to submit all comments in writing on or before **Friday 31 August 2012** to DWV Environmental Consulting.

NOTICE OF OPEN DAY: 15 AUGUST 2012

All individuals or groups interested in or affected by the proposed project are invited to attend the open day:

Date: Wednesday 15 August 2012

Time: 10h00 – 15h00

Venue: Van Reenen Tourism Office (opposite the Caltex Garage from the N3)

The open day will aim to provide I&APs with

- Feedback on the project and findings of the draft Environmental Impact Report;
- A further opportunity to ask questions and raise concerns regarding the proposed project.

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We look forward to your comments on the draft Environmental Impact Report.

Yours sincerely,

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