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Built Environment Unit
South African Heritage Resources Agency
111 Harrington Street
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Attention: Mr Gcoboni Sipoyo

Dear Sir,

TABLE MOUNTAIN AERIAL CABLEWAY COMPANY: REQUEST FOR COMMENT ON NHRA S.27 PERMIT APPLICATION TO HWC FOR PROPOSED ALTERATIONS AT THE UPPER STATION – CAPE FARMS 850 AND 1068

Our client, TMACC (Pty) Ltd, wishes to make the following minor alterations to the Upper Station:

- The demolition of an internal staircase and walls on the Ground Floor;
- a new aluminium shopfront on the Ground Floor;
- the replacement of a section of the rear balcony balustrade on the First Floor with a steel balustrade;
- a new, open steel grid on the western side on the Ground Floor and
- new steel balustrade to the above steel grid and the concrete walkway.

This will (a) improve the movement of trolleys and arriving visitors from the cable cars and (b) improve the views to and from the First Floor coffee bar and terrace. The proposed work will be confined to the 1997 (MLH) layer of the building. Whilst some of the existing walls will be replaced with transparent materials, the overall wall-dominated architecture will be retained, and the materials of the balustrades will match the existing dark materials that prevail here. Please refer to the attached photographs.

Since this portion of Table Mountain is a proclaimed Provincial Heritage Site, we intend to submit a NHRA s27 permit application to Heritage Western Cape. Table Mountain National Park is also an identified Grade I site and, in accordance with the MoA between SAHRA and HWC, we hereby request SAHRA's comment on this permit application.

We have uploaded this request for comment and supporting documentation to SAHRIS, including a letter of endorsement from SANParks. We will also deliver hard copies of the plans to your office. Kindly provide us with your comment and also please stamp the plans. We will then collect one set from you.

We trust that this application will meet with your support. Please do not hesitate to contact me, should you wish to discuss the above proposals.

Yours faithfully,

Frik Vermeulen
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