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For attention Ms N Holland

Project: De Aar Maanhaarberg Wind Energy Facility (DEA ref number 12/12/20/1651) and De Aar 2 North Wind Energy Facility (DEA Ref 12/12/20/2463/2): Amendment Process update of Specialist (heritage) comment.

Longyuan Mulilo De Aar 2 North (RF) (Pty) Ltd and Longyuan Mulilo De Aar Wind Power (RF) (Pty) Ltd, require the option to apply a logo on the nacelle, and on the tower of each turbine installation; that on the Nacelle would be 1.5 meters long, 6 meters wide, and that on the 80m Tower, 16m long and 3.5m wide.

In an amendment of 14th January 2018 to the original Heritage Assessment dated September 2010, Melanie Attwell and Associates concluded that the proposal of 2018 involved no physical changes to the identified heritage resources and that landscape character was not expected to change. The amendments proposed in 2018 did therefore not alter the heritage impacts in any significant way.

The same applies to this proposal. It is my opinion that the issue of logos on any part of the tower or nacelle is not a heritage issue. The relationship between logos and towers and nacelles (as identified by Hanson (2019) is a less significant issue than previously. This is because the towers and nacelles are higher than therefore detail is less visible. Impact of logos on landscape character is therefore within generally acceptable limits.

I therefore conclude that from a heritage perspective the addition of logos provide no further impact on heritage resources. The visual impact on landscape character is negligible and the amendments would therefore not result in an increased level of visual change. I therefore find the amendment acceptable from a heritage perspective.

Yours sincerely

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