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Department of Rural, Environment and Agricultural **Development (Agriculture-Brits)** (Letter by email)

Dear Mr. Dan Molemi

BASIC ASSESSMENT NOTICE: APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION THE EXPANSION AND RELATED OPERATION OF 4 ADDITIONAL **BROILER POULTRY HOUSES ON PORTION 36 (A PORTION OF PORTION 19) OF THE** FARM TWEERIVIER 197-JQ, IN MADIBENG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, NORTH-WEST PROVINCE

In accordance with the requirements of Section 41 (2) (b) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations as amended, we wish to notify "any organ of state having jurisdiction in respect of any aspect of the activity". In accordance with the requirement, please find here-with a letter notifying you of the Basic Assessment being carried out by Westleigh Environmental Services. Westleigh has been appointed as independent registered environmental assessment practitioners by Heavy Feather 2 (Pty) Ltd to facilitate their application for environmental authorisation for the related development and operation of a broiler poultry production farm.

Our applicant proposes to construct 4 additional broiler chicken houses with a total carrying capacity of 136 000 (one hundred and thirty six thousand) poultry units. Each house will have a carrying capacity 34 000 (thirty-four thousand) poultry units per production cycle, upon placement of day old broiler chickens. This activity triggers a need to apply for environmental authorisation for the following listed activities;

- Listing Notice 1, Activity 40 (i) (ii) as listed in GN. R 327 of 07 April 2017 for "The expansion and related operation of facilities for the concentration of poultry, excluding chicks younger than 20 days, where the capacity of the facility will be increased by:
- more than 1 000 poultry where the facility is situated within an urban area; (i) or
- *(ii)* more than 5 000 poultry per facility situated outside an urban area"

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 Listing Notice 3, Activity 12 (h) (iv) (vi) as listed in GN. R 324 GN. R 327 of 07 April 2017 for "The clearance of an area of 300 square metres or more of indigenous vegetation except where such clearance of indigenous vegetation is required for maintenance purposes undertaken in accordance with a maintenance management plan;

(h) North West

(*i*) World Heritage Sites; core of biosphere reserve; or sites or areas identified in terms of an international convention;

(ii) A protected area including municipal or provincial nature reserves as contemplated by NEMPAA or other legislation;

(iii) All Heritage Sites proclaimed in terms of National Heritage Resources Act, 1999 (Act No. 25 of 1999);

(iv)Critical biodiversity areas as identified in systematic biodiversity plans adopted by the competent authority;

(v) Sensitive areas as identified in an environmental management framework as contemplated in chapter 5 of the Act and as adopted by the competent authority; or

(vi) Areas within a watercourse or wetland, or within 100 metres from the edge of a watercourse or wetland"

Should you wish to send us any comments or enquiries kindly do so within 30 days from receipt of our notice and we'll gladly contact you regarding this project.

Yours Truly,

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