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Attention: Ms Jo-Anne Thomas

APPLICATION FOR AUTHORISATION IN TERMS OF SECTION 24 OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, ACT 107 OF 1998 TO UNDERTAKE A LISTED ACTIVITY AS SCHEDULED IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS, 2014: PROPOSED ACCESS ROADS AND WATERCOURSE CROSSINGS WITHIN THE AUTHORISED IZIDULI EMOYENI WIND ENERGY FACILITY, WITHIN THE BLUE CRANE ROUTE MUNICIPAL AREA.

1. The Application Form originally received on 12 January 2018, the EAP Application Form (Details of EAP and EAP Declaration of Interest) received 19 January 2018, as well as the updated cover letter with revised public review period dated and received 19 January 2018, on behalf of the applicant, Emoyeni Wind Farm Renewable Energy (Pty) Ltd, for the above project refers and is hereby acknowledged.
2. Please note that the official date of submission is deemed to be the date on which the EAP Application Form and updated cover letter was received which date was 19 January 2018.
3. The reference number assigned to your application is **EC02/C/LN1&3/M/02-2018**. The Case Officer assigned to your application is Ms Nicole Gerber and is reachable as per the contact details outlined in the header to this letter.
4. In consideration of the Application, your attention is drawn to the following preliminary requirements:
 - 4.1. Please quote the reference number provided in the event of any correspondence/queries in this regard, with correspondence being addressed to the appointed case officer.
 - 4.2. The processing of this application is based on the information reflected in the Application Form being maintained as a true and accurate reflection of the proposed development and the listed activities applied for. In the event that corrections to these are required, such amendments must formally be communicated by the Environmental Assessment

Practitioner and acknowledged by this Department prior to the competent authority being in a position to consider final submissions.

- 4.3. With regard to the activities listed in the EIA Regulations 2014 as amended that are being applied for, please note that the various activities and any associated aspect thereof must be detailed with coordinate references provided in each respect, in any Draft and / or Final BAR.
- 4.4. In addition to the minimum requirements outlined in the regulations, the following is to be adequately addressed in any Draft and Final Reports:
 - 4.4.1. Outline and define the impact assessment methodology and significance assessment matrix table adopted in the comparative assessment of identified impacts;
 - 4.4.2. Any amendments within the Final Report and associated Appendices that may differ to those addressed in the Draft Report and associated Appendices must be clearly highlighted in the context of the Final Report;
 - 4.4.3. Reference to the public participation process and engagement with Interested and Affected Parties must be substantiated with relevant written and dated correspondence being provided;
 - 4.4.4. The EAP should confirm the preferred format of the Draft Report to be submitted to the respective juristic Organs of State for the minimum prescribed comment period, should the EAP's intent not be to provide them with a hard bound copy;
 - 4.4.5. Cognisance of Regulation 42, whereby a register of interested and affected parties is to be opened and maintained. This register must specifically include the full contact details of those Organs of State and State Departments identified as having jurisdiction in respect of the proposed activity or any associated aspect thereof and therefore have from the outset been notified of the said application. A copy of the I&AP register must be included within the Draft and Final reports submitted to the Department.
- 4.5. The EAP is advised to remain aware of the 90 day timeframe for submission of the Final Report as contained within the 2014 Regulations (as amended), which period will lapse on **23 April 2018**, with specific reference to Regulation 19(1)(a), which provides for a commenting period of 30 days for both I&AP's and the competent authority. The commenting period is from **22 January 2018** up to and including **21 February 2018**. All requirements as contained in Appendix 1 of the 2014 EIA Regulations as amended must be addressed in the FBAR.
- 4.6. A bound copy as well as an electronic copy of all Draft and Final reports are to be submitted to the competent authority (i.e. DEDEAT: Cacadu Region).



- 4.7. The Environmental Assessment Practitioner is required to notify and inform the applicant in writing that the activity may not commence prior to an environmental authorisation being granted by the competent authority.



**NICOLE GERBER
ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER: EIM
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DATE: 29 January 2018



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The Application Form and accompanying Draft Basic Assessment Report (DBAR) submitted by Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd for the compulsory 30 day Public Participation Process (PPP), on behalf of Emoyeni Wind Farm Renewable Energy (Pty) Ltd dated January 2018 and received on 19 January 2018, as per the acknowledgement of receipt from the Department dated 29 January 2018, for the above project refers.

The Department has reviewed the DBAR and hereby finds that it adheres to the requirements contained in the 2014 EIA Regulations, as amended. The Department has no further comments. You are reminded that the activity may not commence prior to an environmental authorisation being granted by the Department.

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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: EIM
CACADU REGION

DATE: 1 March 2018