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Dear Interested and/or Affected Party

AMENDMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION ISSUED ON 27 JULY 2011 FOR PROPOSED SPRINGBOK WIND ENERGY FACILITY NEAR SPRINGBOK, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE (DEA REF NO.: 12/12/20/1721/AM4)

Notification of Amendment of the Environmental Authorisation

This letter serves to notify all registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) of the Department of Environmental Affairs' (DEA) decision in respect of the application for amendment of the Environmental Authorisation issued on 27 July 2011 for the proposed Springbok Wind Energy Facility near Springbok, Northern Cape Province. Furthermore, the provisions regarding the submission of appeals that are contained in the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA) (No. 107 of 1998) Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (2014), as amended, are also outlined herein, should an I&AP wish to appeal DEA's decision.

1. Decision

We wish to inform you that the DEA **has decided to amend the Environmental Authorisation (EA)** dated 27 July 2011, as amended, as follows:

1.1 Amendment 1: Amendments to the project description:

To align to current international Wind Turbine Generator (WTG) models, while reducing the number of WTGs at the Wind Energy Facility (WEF), as summarized below;

Component	Previously Approved	Granted amendment
Number of turbines	37	Maximum of 25 (i.e. potential range of 12 turbines @ 4.5MW to 25 turbines @ 2.0MW – 2.2MW)
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Generation capacity of the WEF	55.5MW	Same as authorised (55.5MW)
Rotor diameter	88m	Maximum of 160m
Hub height	80m	Maximum of 140m (except for turbines 4, 8, 15 & 16, which would have a maximum hub height of 105m)

Temporary construction pad	40 x 20m	40 x 40m
Permanent affected area (foundation size)	16 x 16m and 2m deep	16 x 16m and 3m deep

1.2 Amendment 2: Amendment of Condition of Authorisation 1.1 on page 4 of the EA:

from:

“The preferred alternative A1 (37 Wind Turbine Generators (WTG) with a generating capacity of 1.5MW per turbine resulting in an optimal generation capacity of 55.5MW per annum) is approved.”

to:

“The amended alternative A1 (up to 25 Wind Turbine Generators (WTG) with a generating capacity of 2.0MW to 4.5MW per turbine resulting in an optimal generation capacity of 55.5MW per annum) is approved.”

1.3 Amendment 3: Amendment of Condition of Authorisation 1.5 on page 4 of the EA:

from:

“The recommendations and mitigation measures recorded in the EIAR dated December 2010 must be adhered to”.

to:

“The recommendations and mitigation measures recorded in the EIAR dated December 2010, and associated updates included in the specialist Addendum reports (2017/2018), must be adhered to”.

1.4 Amendment 4: Amendment of Condition of Authorisation 3.1 on page 6 of the EA:

from:

“The Environmental Management Plan (EMP) submitted as part of application for environmental authorization must be amended and submitted to the Department for written approval prior to the commencement of the activity. The recommendations and mitigation measures recorded in the EIAR dated December 2010 must be incorporated as part of the EMP. Once approved, the EMP must be implemented and adhered to. The amended EMP must also include the following...”

to:

“The Environmental Management Plan (EMP) submitted as part of the application for environmental authorization must be amended and submitted to the Department for written approval prior to the commencement of the activity. The recommendations and mitigation measures recorded in the EIAR dated December 2010 and associated updates included in the specialist Addendum reports (2017/2018) must be incorporated as part of the EMP. Once approved, the EMP must be implemented and adhered to. The amended EMP must also include the following...”

1.5 Amendment 5: Amendment of the project title on page 1 of the EA:

from:

“Proposed 55.5MW Springbok Wind Power Generation facility on the farm O’Nabapeep near Springbok, Northern Cape Province”.

to:

“Proposed 55.5MW Springbok Wind Power Generation facility near Springbok, Northern Cape Province”.

1.6 Amendment 6: Amendment (update) of the contact details of the holder of the EA:

Contact details amended from:

*“Mulilo Springbok Wind Power (Pty) Ltd
Mr John Cullum
PO Box 50
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To:

*“Mulilo Springbok Wind Power (Pty) Ltd
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1.7 Amendment 7: Amendment to the listed authorised activities in the EA: Addition of listed activity

Listed activity 15, as described in GN R386 of the 2006 EIA Regulations (and similarly listed activities 56 as described in GN R983, and listed activities 4 and 18 as described in GN R985 of the 2014 EIA Regulations) has been added to the EA.

DEA’s amendment to the EA, dated 25 June 2018, is included in Annexure A herewith for your information¹.

¹ Note: the proposed amendment decision from DEA dated 25 June 2018 must be read in conjunction with the EA dated 27 July 2011, and respective EA amendments. Copies of the EA dated 27 July 2011, and respective

2. Right to appeal

We would like to draw your attention to your right to appeal against the decision to the Minister in terms of the National Appeal Regulations (2014) (Government Notice No. R993), which prescribes the appeal procedure to be followed.

Should any person wish to lodge an appeal, the appellant must submit an appeal to the appeal administrator, and a copy of the appeal to the Applicant (i.e. Mulilo Springbok Wind Power (Pty) Ltd), any registered Interested and Affected Party, and any organ of state with interest in the matter within 20 days from the date² that the notification of the decision was sent to the registered I&APs by the Applicant, or the date³ that the notification of the decision was sent to the Applicant by DEA, whichever is applicable.

Appeals must be submitted in writing in the prescribed form to:

The Director: Appeals and Legal Review of DEA at the addresses mentioned below.

By email: appealsdirector@environment.gov.za;
By post: Private Bag X447,
Pretoria,
0001; or
By hand: Environment House
473 Steve Biko,
Arcadia, Pretoria,
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To obtain the prescribed appeal form and for guidance on the submission of appeals, those wishing to appeal should visit the DEA website at http://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms#legal_authorisations or request a copy of the documents at appealsdirector@environment.gov.za.

Should you require any further information or have any queries, please contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely



NICOLE HOLLAND (Pr. Sci. Nat.)

For: Holland & Associates - Environmental Consultants

EA amendments are available from Nicole Holland of Holland & Associates Environmental Consultants on request.

² This letter, which has been sent to I&APs on behalf of the Applicant, serves as notification of DEA's decision, and will be posted on 4 July 2018.

³ 26 June 2018

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Geagte Belanghebbende en/of Geaffekteerde Party

WYSIGING VAN DIE OMGEWINGSMAGTIGING UITGEREIK OP 27 JULIE 2011 VIR DIE VOORGESTELDE SPRINGBOK WINDENERGIE-AANLEG NABY SPRINGBOK IN DIE NOORD-KAAPPROVINSIE (DOS-VERWYSINGSNOMMER 12/12/20/1721/AM4)

Kennisgewing van die Wysiging van die Omgewingsmagtiging

Die doel van hierdie brief is om alle geregistreerde Belanghebbende en Geaffekteerde Partye (B&GPe) in kennis te stel van die Departement van Omgewingsake (DOS) se besluit rakende die aansoek vir die wysiging van die Omgewingsmagtiging uitgereik op 27 Julie 2011 vir die voorgestelde Springbok Windenergie-aanleg naby Springbok, Noord-Kaapprovinsie. Die voorwaarders vir die indiening van 'n appèl, soos uiteengesit in die Wet op Nasionale Omgewingsbestuur (NEMA) (Nr 107 van 1998) se Regulasies (2014) vir Omgewingsinvloedbepalings (OIB), word ook hierby ingesluit indien 'n B&GP teen die DOS se besluit wil appelleer.

1. Besluit

Ons stel u hiermee in kennis dat die DOS **besluit het om die Omgewingsmagtiging (OM)** gedateer 27 Julie 2011, soos gewysig, as volg te verander:

1.1 Wysiging 1: Wysigings aan die projekbeskrywing:

Wysigings om die projek in lyn te bring met die nuutste modelle Windturbine-generators (WTG) en die gevolglike vermindering in die aantal WTGs by die Windenergie-aanleg (WEA), word hieronder opgesom:

Komponent	Voorheen goedgekeur	Wysiging goedgekeur
Aantal turbines	37	Maksimum 25 (enigiets van 12 turbines @ 4.5MW tot 25 turbines @ 2.0MW – 2.2MW)
Opwekkingskapasiteit per turbine	1.5MW	2.0MW – 4.5MW
Opwekkingskapasiteit van die WEA	55.5MW	Dieselfde as gemagtig (55.5MW)
Deursnee van draaivlerke	88m	Maksimum 160m
Naafhoogte	80m	Maksimum 140m (uitgesluit turbines 4, 8, 15 & 16, waarvoor 'n maksimum naafhoogte van 105m goedgekeur is)

Tydlike konstruksieblad	40 x 20m	40 x 40m
Permanente geaffekteerde gebied (grootte van fondasie)	16 x 16m en 2m diep	16 x 16m en 3m diep

1.2 Wysiging 2: Wysiging van die Voorwaardes vir Magtiging 1.1 op bladsy 4 van die OM:

van:

“Die voorkeur-alternatief A1 (37 Windturbine-generators (WTG) met ‘n opwekkingskapasiteit van 1.5MW per turbine en ‘n gevolglike optimale opwekkingskapasiteit van 55.5MW per jaar) is goedgekeur.”

na:

“Die gewysigde alternatief A1 (tot 25 Windturbine-generators (WTG) met ‘n opwekkingskapasiteit van 2.0MW tot 4.5MW per turbine en ‘n gevolglike optimale opwekkingskapasiteit van 55.5MW per jaar) is goedgekeur.”

1.3 Wysiging 3: Wysiging van die Voorwaardes vir Magtiging 1.5 op bladsy 4 van die OM:

van:

“Daar moet voldoen word aan die voorwaardes en mitigasiemaatreëls soos omskryf in die OIBV gedateer Desember 2010”.

na:

“Daar moet voldoen word aan die voorwaardes en mitigasiemaatreëls soos omskryf in die OIBV gedateer Desember 2010, sowel as die verwante opdaterings in die Spesialis-addendumverslae (2017/2018)”.

1.4 Wysiging 4: Wysiging van die Voorwaardes vir Magtiging 3.1 op bladsy 6 van die OM:

van:

“Die Omgewingsbestuursplan (OBP) wat deel was van die aansoek vir ‘n omgewingsmagtiging, moet gewysig en vir skriftelike goedkeuring by die Departement ingedien word voordat enige werksaamhede mag begin. Die aanbevelings en mitigasiemaatreëls wat in die OIBV gedateer Desember 2010 vervat is, moet in die OBP opgeneem word. Sodra goedgekeur, moet die OBP geïmplementeer en gehandhaaf word. Die gewysigde OBP moet ook die volgende bevat...”

na:

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1.5 Wysiging 5: Wysiging die projektitel op bladsy 1 van die OM:

van:

“Voorgestelde 55.5MW Springbok Windenergie-opwekkingsfasiliteit op die plaas O’Nabapeep naby Springbok, Noord-Kaapprovinsie”.

na:

“Voorgestelde 55.5MW Springbok Windenergie-opwekkingsfasiliteit naby Springbok, Noord-Kaapprovinsie”.

1.6 Wysiging 6: Wysiging (opdatering) van die kontakbesonderhede van die houer van die OM:

Kontakbesonderhede word verander van:

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1.7 Wysiging 7: Wysiging van gelyste aktiwiteite soos deur die OM gemagtig: Byvoeging van gelyste aktiwiteit

Gelyste aktiwiteit 15 soos beskryf in GK R386 van die 2006 OIB-regulasies (en soortgelyke gelyste aktiwiteit 56 soos beskryf in GK R983, en gelyste aktiwiteite 4 en 18 soos beskryf in GK R985 van die 2014 OIB-regulasies) is tot die OM bygevoeg.

Die DOS se wysiging aan die OM, gedateer 25 Junie 2018, is vir u inligting as Bylae A hierby ingesluit¹.

¹ Nota: die voorgestelde wysigingsbesluit van die DOS gedateer 25 Junie 2018 moet gelees word tesame met die OM gedateer 27 Julie 2011, asook hulle onderskeie OM-wysigings. Afskrifte van die OM gedateer 27 Julie

2. Reg tot appèl

Ons wil graag u aandag vestig op u reg om by die Minister van Omgewingsake teen hierdie besluit te appelleer. Dit sal geskied in terme van die Nasionale Appèlregulasies (Goewermentskennisgewing Nr 993) van die NEMA se OIB-regulasies waarin die appèlproses uiteengesit is.

Die persoon wat appelleer moet 'n appèl by die appèladministrateur indien en 'n afskrif daarvan aan die Applikant (i.e. Mulilo Springbok Wind Power (Edms) Bpk) stuur, asook aan elke geregistreerde Belanghebbende en Geaffekteerde Party en enige staatsinstansie wat 'n belang daarby het. Dit moet ingedien word binne 20 dae vanaf die datum² waarop die kennisgewing van die besluit deur die Applikant aan die geregistreerde B&GPe gestuur is, of die datum³ waarop die DOS die besluit aan die Applikant gestuur het, watter een ookal van toepassing is.

Appèlle moet skriftelik ingedien word by:

Die Direkteur: Appèlle en Regsoorsig van die DOS, en wel by onderstaande adres.

Per e-pos: appealsdirector@environment.gov.za;
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Die voorgeskrewe appèlvorm, asook riglyne vir die indiening van 'n appèl, kan afgelaai word vanaf die DOS se webblad by http://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms#legal_authorisations. Afskrifte van die dokumente kan ook verkry word deur 'n epos te stuur aan appealsdirector@environment.gov.za.

Tree asb met onderstaande in verbinding indien u enige verdere navrae het of inligting verlang.

Die uwe



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Vir: Holland & Associates - Omgewingskonsultante

2011, asook hulle onderskeie OM-wysigings, is op versoek beskikbaar by Nicole Holland of Holland & Associates Omgewingskonsultante.

² Hierdie brief, wat names die Applikant aan B&GPe gestuur is, dien as kennisgewing van die DOS se besluit, en sal op 4 Julie 2018 gepos word.

³ 26 Junie 2018

**ANNEXURE A:
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS' AMENDMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
AUTHORISATION – 25 June 2018**

**BYLAE A:
DEPARTEMENT VAN OMGEWINGSAKE SE WYSIGING VAN DIE OMGEWINGSMAGTIGING –
25 Junie 2018**



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PER EMAIL / MAIL

Dear Mrs Low

APPLICATION FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION ISSUED ON 27 JULY 2011 FOR THE PROPOSED SPRINGBOK WIND ENERGY FACILITY NEAR SPRINGBOK, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

The Environmental Authorisation (EA) (Reference No: 12/12/20/1721) issued by the Department on 27 July 2011, the fourth EA amendment application was received by the Department on 11 December 2017 and the assessment and public participation report received by the Department on 14 March 2018, refer.

Based on a review of the reason for requesting amendments to the above Environmental Authorisation, this Department in terms of Chapter 5 of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended has decided to amend the Environmental Authorisation, as follows:

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e) Amendment of the project title on page 1 of the EA dated 27 July 2011 (and amendment of the EA dated 18 May 2016):

"Proposed 55.5MW Springbok Wind Power Generation Facility on the Farm O'Nabapeep near Springbok, Northern Cape Province".

Is now amended to:

"Proposed 55.5MW Springbok Wind Power Generation Facility near Springbok, Northern Cape Province".

f) Update to the contact details of the holder of the EA:

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g) Addition of Listed Activity:

2006 EIA Regulations (previously assessed, applied for)	2014 EIA Regulations, as amended	Description
<p><u>Listed Activity 15 of GN R.386:</u></p> <p><i>"The construction of a road that is wider than 4 metres or that has reserve wider than 6 metres, excluding roads that fall within the ambit of another listed activity or which are access roads of less than 30 metres long".</i></p>	<p><u>Listed Activity 56 of GN R. 983:</u></p> <p><i>"The widening of a road by more than 1 kilometre –</i> <i>i) Where no reserves exists, where the existing road is wider than 13, 5 metres or</i> <i>ii) Where no reserve exists, where the existing road is wider than 8 metres".</i></p>	<p>Whilst existing roads and tracks will be utilised in most of areas of the site, existing gravel roads will need to be upgraded, or new sections of road constructed. Access roads will have a width of approximately 4.5 metres turning circles of 15 metres will be required for the trucks.</p>
	<p><u>Listed Activity 4 of GN R.985:</u></p> <p><i>"The development of a road wider than 4 metres with a reserve less than 13, 5 metres -</i> <i>g. Northern Cape</i> <i>ii. Outside urban areas:</i> <i>ee) Critical biodiversity areas as identified in systematic biodiversity plans adopted by the competent authority or in bioregional plans;</i> <i>(gg) Areas within 10 kilometres from national parks or world heritage sites or 5 kilometres from any other protected area identified in terms of NEMPAA or from the core areas of a biosphere reserve, excluding disturbed areas;</i></p>	<p>The proposed development includes the construction of new access roads, where required. Some of these roads will be wider than 4 metres (i.e. approximately 4.5 metres to 5 metres). The proposed development site is located within 5km of Goegap Nature Reserve. Sections of the site are located within identified Critical Biodiversity Areas.</p>

	<p>Listed Activity 18 of GN R.985:</p> <p>"The widening of a road by more than 4 metres, or the lengthening of a road by more than 1 kilometre –</p> <p>g. Northern Cape</p> <p>ii. Outside urban areas:</p> <p>(ee) Critical biodiversity areas as identified in systematic biodiversity plans adopted by the competent authority or in bioregional plans;</p> <p>(gg) Areas within 10 kilometres from national parks or world heritage sites or 5 kilometres from any other protected area identified in terms of NEMPAA or from the core area of a biosphere reserve;</p> <p>(ii) Areas within a watercourse or wetland; or within 100 metres from the edge of a watercourse or wetland;</p>	<p>Existing access roads will need to be upgraded as part of the proposed development, to accommodate heavy vehicles, particularly during the construction phase. In some instances, existing roads will need to be widened by more than 4 metres. The project site is located outside of urban areas, and within 5 km from Goegap Nature Reserve. Sections of the site are located within CBAs. Some of the roads to be upgraded will be located within 100 metres of the watercourse (drainage line).</p>
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The EA amendment is requested that turbine 1 must be moved at least 80 metres east, out of the Very High Sensitive area; the biodiversity offset must be implemented as required by the Botanical Specialist Report; and the mitigation measures outlined in the Avifauna and Bats Impact Assessment Specialist Reports must be adhered to.

This letter must be read in conjunction with the Environmental Authorisation dated 27 July 2011.

In terms of Regulation 4(2) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations (EIA), 2014, as amended you are instructed to notify all registered interested and affected parties, in writing and within 14 (fourteen) days of the date of the EA, of the Department's decision in respect of your application as well as the fact that an appeal may be lodged against the decision in terms of the National Appeals Regulations, and the provisions regarding the submission of appeals as contained in the Regulations.

Should any person wish to lodge an appeal against this decision, he/she must submit the appeal to the appeal administrator, and a copy of the appeal to the applicant, any registered interested and affected party, and any organ of state with interest in the matter within 20 days from the date that the notification of the decision was sent to the registered interested and affected parties by the applicant; or the date that the notification of the decision was sent to the applicant by the Department, whichever is applicable.

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By email: appealsdirector@environment.gov.za;

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473 Steve Biko Road,
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Or

By post: Private Bag X447,
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Please note that in terms of Section 43(7) of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA), 1998, the lodging of an appeal will suspend the environmental authorisation or any provision or condition attached thereto. In the instance where an appeal is lodged, you may not commence with the activity until such time that the appeal is finalised.

To obtain the prescribed appeal form and for guidance on the submission of appeals, please visit the Department's website at https://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms#legal_authorisations or request a copy of the documents at appealsdirector@environment.gov.za.

Yours faithfully



Mr Vusi Skosana
Acting Chief Director: Integrated Environmental Authorisations
Department of Environmental Affairs
Date: 25/06/2018