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Sustainable Development of the Natural Resources

Date: 2nd November 2021

NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION **APPLICANT: LOWMAR (PTY) LTD (Mr J N Marais)**

REFERENCE: EC131/CH/LN1/M/21-14 ECP/EIA/0001100/2021 NEAS No.:

Dear Interested and Affected Parties

The Department Economic Development, Environmental Affairs & Tourism (DEDEAT) has granted an Environmental Authorisation (EA) in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) as amended, for the construction of the hydropower plant and distribution lines.

Holder of the EA: Lowmar (Pty) Ltd Contact person: Mr J N Marais

Postal Address: PO Box 482, Kenton-on-Sea 6191 Mobile: 072 424 5123

E-mail: japie@lowmar.co.za

The Environmental Authorisation was issued on 2nd November 2021. A copy of the Environmental Authorisation and reasons for the decision will be provided to registered interested and affected parties (I&APs) on receipt of a written request addressed to the environmental assessment practitioner (E-mail isix@lcom.co.za).

The Environmental Authorisation requires that all registered interested and affected parties be advised of the Environmental Authorisation (EA) within 14 calendar days of signature of the EA and this requirement is deemed to be met, by provision of this notice dated 2nd November 2021. No objections were received during the EIA process.

NOTE: Should a registered interested and affected party wish to lodge an appeal in respect of the decision, the appeal procedure as set out in the National Appeal Regulations No R. 993 must be followed and an appeal must be lodged with the MEC within 20 days of the date of this notice. The closing date for the lodging of appeals is 23rd November 2021.

The appeal procedure is as follows:

- An appeal submission form can be downloaded from www.dedea.gov.za or requested from the DEDEAT Queenstown office.
- An appeal against the decision contained in the Authorisation must be addressed in writing to the MEC of The Department: Economic Development, Environmental Affairs & Tourism within 20 days of the date of this notice

- In the event that an appeal is lodged, copies of the appeal must be served on the applicant, all registered interested and affected parties as well as State Departments with an interest in the matter within 20 days of the date of this notice
- The address to which the originals of any such appeal and any other documents pertaining to the appeal must be e-mailed as set out below. Originals of the documentation may also be delivered by hand or courier.

Department	Economic Development, Environmental Affairs & Tourism
Attention	General Manager: Environmental Affairs
Postal address	Private Bag X005, BISHO 5605
By hand	Global Life, Ilitha Building, Bisho, King Williams Town
In order to facilitate efficient administration of appeals, copies of appeal documentation must also be	
submitted as follows:	
General Manager: Environmental Affairs	lulama.daniels@dedea.gov.za
Office of the Appeal Administrator	phumeza.gxala@dedea.gov.za
It is suggested that copies of the appeal documentation be provided to:	
DEDEAT, CHDM District	E-mail: Nondwe.Mdekazi@dedea.gov.za
(The decision making Authority)	E-mail: Zikhona.Mzalisi@dedea.gov.za
The Environmental Assessment	Fax no.: 0866 184 327
Practitioner	E-mail: isix@lcom.co.za

In the event that an appeal is lodged with regard to the Authorisation, the listed activities described in the Authorisation may not commence prior to the resolution of the appeal and prior to the Departments written confirmation of compliance with all conditions that must be met before implementation/construction can commence, whichever event is latter.

Yours faithfully

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