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Dear Sir/Madam

NOTICE OF THE ISSUANCE OF GOLDI'S (A DIVISION OF ASTRAL OPERATIONS)
ATMOSPHERIC EMISSION LICENSE (LEKWA/GOLDI/0026/2022/F03)

1. Background:

Goldi-A division of Astral Operations has a rendering facility situated on Portion 0 of Erf 279 Stanfield Hill, Standerton, within the Lekwa Local Municipality of the Gert Sibande District Municipality in the Mpumalanga province. The site is approximately 3 km northwest of the centre of Standerton. The facility is an inedible rendering plant, i.e., it produces a product that is not intended for human consumption. It processes feathers and other poultry matter from the Goldi Standerton abattoir into oil and high valued protein meals used in animal feeds.

The rendering process at Goldi is listed as Category 10: Animal Matter Processing in the List of activities which result in atmospheric emissions which have or may have a significant detrimental effect on the environment, including health, social conditions, economic conditions, ecological conditions, or cultural heritage published in Government Notice (GN) 893 in Government Gazette (GG) 37054 dated 22 November 2013 (as amended). In terms of Section 22 of the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act 39 of 2004 (NEM: AQA), no person may conduct an activity listed on a national list anywhere in the Republic of South Africa or listed on a list applicable to a province anywhere in that province without a provisional Atmospheric Emission License (PAEL) or an Atmospheric Emission License (AEL). Goldi applied for the renewal of its AEL (Lekwa/GOLDI/0026/2016/F02) in terms of Section 38 and Section 47 of NEM: AQA. The application was submitted on the South African Atmospheric Emission Licensing & Inventory Portal on 7 September 2021 (Submittal ID: 4610).

2. AEL Issuance:

The Licensing Authority, the Gert Sibande District Municipality, issued Goldi with an AEL (Lekwa/GOLDI/0026/2022/F03) on 13 May 2022.

3. AEL Requirement:

Condition 10 of Goldi's AEL (Lekwa/GOLDI/0026/2022/F03) requires that Goldi notify every registered interested and affected party, in writing within ten days of receiving the Licensing Authority's decision (i.e., within 10 days of 17 May 2022). The notice must:

- 1. Specify the date on which the AEL was issued;
- 2. Inform the registered interested and affected parties of the appeal procedure provided for in Chapter 7, Part 3, Section 62 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act (Act 32 of 2000), as amended;
- Advise the registered interested and affected parties that a copy of the AEL and reasons for the decision will be furnished on request; and
- 4. That the appeal should be lodged with the Municipal Manager and provide his or her contact details.

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## 4. Appeal Procedure:

Section 62 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act (Act 32 of 2000), as amended, provides the following:

## 62. Appeals

- (1) A person whose rights are affected by a decision taken by a political structure, political office bearer, councillor or staff member of a municipality in terms of a power or duty delegated or sub-delegated by a delegating authority to the political structure, political office bearer, councillor or staff member, may appeal against that decision by giving written notice of the appeal and reasons to the municipal manager within 21 days of the date of the notification of the decision.
- (2) The municipal manager must promptly submit the appeal to the appropriate appeal authority mentioned in subsection (4).
- (3) The appeal authority must consider the appeal, and confirm, vary or revoke the decision, but no such variation or revocation of a decision may detract from any rights that may have accrued as a result of the decision.
- (4) When the appeal is against a decision taken by-
  - (a) a staff member other than the municipal manager, the municipal manager is the appeal authority;
  - (b) the municipal manager, the executive committee or executive mayor is the appeal authority, or, if the municipality does not have an executive committee or executive mayor, the council of the municipality is the appeal authority; or
  - (c) a political structure or political office bearer, or a councillor
    - (i) the municipal council is the appeal authority where the council comprises less than 15 councillors; or
    - (ii) a committee of councillors who were not involved in the decision and appointed by the municipal council for this purpose is the appeal authority where the council comprises more than 14 councillors.
- (5) An appeal authority must commence with an appeal within six weeks and decide the appeal within a reasonable period.
- (6) The provisions of this section do not detract from any appropriate appeal procedure provided for in any other applicable law.

An appellant must appeal in terms of Chapter 7, Part 3, Section 62 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act (Act 32 of 2000), as amended, with the following:

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## 5. Access to AEL:

Goldi or the Licensing Authority will furnish any interested and affected parties with a copy of the AEL and reasons for the decision. A copy of the AEL and reasons for the decision can be requested from the following contacts:

Goldi:

Devan Lourens 017 720 0200 082 449 8307

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**Licensing Authority:** 

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Best regards,

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Date