

15<sup>th</sup> April 2013

Attention: **Registered I&AP**

**Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Environmental Authorisation Reference No. 17/2/3N-210**

**Project Title: Rehabilitation of Provincial Road P127/2 (25.5km) between National Road N4 (Middelburg west) and Provincial Road D914 (Van Wyksvlei), Nkangala District Municipality, Mpumalanga Province.**

Kindly be advised that the applicant, the Department of Public Works, Roads and Transport, has withdrawn the Application for Authorisation that was submitted to the Mpumalanga Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism (MDEDET) on the 01<sup>st</sup> November, 2012, and advertised on 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2013.

The original scope of works was revised to the extent that an environmental authorization is no longer required to undertake the physical activities associated with the rehabilitation of the P127/2 Road. The replacement of Culvert C7 still triggers Listed Activity No. 18 of GN No. R. 544, but the works can be carried out according to an Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) that is approved by the MDEDET (pers. comm. Garth Batchelor).

The Engineers are aware of the comments that have been received to date, and which have largely been addressed. We have proposed mitigations to address concerns relating to the disruption of traffic and any physical activity in the vicinity of infrastructure including, *inter alia*, fibre optic cables and pipelines. The aforesaid mitigations have been sent to the Resident Engineer.

You may contact the Resident Engineer, Mr Rian Ilse (cell: 082 800 0166 and email: [rian@penlin.co.za](mailto:rian@penlin.co.za)) should you have any queries or concerns during the project.

Yours sincerely,

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