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Dear Mr. Neilson

Please receive herein the attached Letter for your attention.

Regards,

CC: Mr. Rob Gardiner

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PER FACSIMILE / MAIL

Dear Mr Peter Neilson

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE FINAL SCOPING REPORT IN TERMS OF GN R. 385, R. 386 & R. 387:
PROPOSED WIND FARM DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE NELSON MANDELA METROPOLITAN
AREA, PORT ELIZABETH, EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE
(R. 386 Items 14 & 15 - R. 387 Items 1 (a), 1 (l) & 2)**

The above document dated July 2009 and received by the Department on 10 September 2009 refers.

The Department has evaluated the Final Scoping Report (FSR) submitted by you on 10 September 2009 and is satisfied that the FSR complies with the minimum requirements of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2006. The FSR is hereby accepted by the Department in terms of GN R.385 (31) (1) (a) of the EIA Regulations, 2006.

You may proceed with the environmental impact assessment process in accordance with the tasks contemplated in the plan of study for environmental impact assessment as required in terms of the EIA Regulations, 2006

The Department requests a copy of the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIR) (circulated during the Public Participation Process) to facilitate informed decision-making upon receipt of the final EIR. You are therefore requested to submit an electronic copy of this Report (CD / DVD) to Mr Dumisane Mthembu, Director EIE, at the above address as soon as it is made available to interested and / or affected parties for comment.

Please ensure that comments from all relevant authorities are submitted to the Department with the Final Environmental Impact Report, these include, *inter alia*, the Eastern Cape Department of Economic Development and Environmental Affairs. The Eastern Cape Biodiversity Plan and information from the IDP must also be taken into consideration.

The applicant is hereby reminded to comply with the requirements of GN R.385 (77) with regard to the time period allowed for complying with the requirements of the Regulations, and GN R. 385 (58) and

(59) with regard to the allowance of a comment period for interested and affected parties on all reports submitted to the competent authority for decision-making. The reports referred to are listed in GN R. 385 (58) (3a-3g).

Further, it must be reiterated that, should an application for Environmental Authorisation be subject to the provisions of Chapter II, Section 38 of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999, then this Department will not be able to make nor issue a decision in terms of your application for Environmental Authorisation pending a letter from the pertinent heritage authority stating that the application fulfils the requirements of the relevant heritage resources authority as described in Chapter II, Section 38 (8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999.

You are hereby reminded that the activity may not commence prior to an environmental authorisation being granted by the Department.

Yours faithfully



Ms Lize McCourt

CHIEF DIRECTOR

Department of Environmental Affairs

Letter signed by: Mr Dumisane Mthembu

Designation: Director: Environmental Impact Evaluation

DATE: 27/10/2009

Cc: Mr Rob Gardiner

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