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South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA)

PO Box 4637 Cape Town 8000

To whom it may concern

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION FOR THE PROPOSED TOPIGS SA MERINO PIGGERY PROJECT ON PORTION 0 (REMAINING EXTENT) OF THE FARM MERINO 641 IR, MPUMALANGA

You are hereby notified that an application for environmental authorisation in terms of the environmental impact assessment (EIA) Regulations of 2010 (regulations in terms of chapter 5 of the National Environmental Management, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended (NEMA), has been lodged with the Mpumalanga Department of Economic Development Environment and Tourism (DEDET).

Applicant: Topigs SA (Pty) Ltd

Project Name: Topigs SA Merino Piggery

Project Location: Portion 0 (remaining extent) of the farm Merino 641 IR, Mpumalanga

Environmental Authorisation Application Process Ref Number: 17/2/3/GS-281

Project Description:

Topigs SA (Pty) Ltd is proposing to establish a new piggery. The proposed project will entail the following:

• The development of a piggery-grower unit where weaner piglets are grown until they are ready for slaughter. These pigs are called baconers.

A Background Information Document (BID) and Interested and Affected Party Registration Form are also attached to this letter in order to provide more detail with regards to the proposed project and so that persons may register as I&APs for the project, should they so wish.

<u>Invitation to participate:</u> Should you wish to be registered as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) or comment on the above-mentioned project and application process, please submit a completed Registration Form (attached to this letter) or your name, contact information, and interest in the matter, in writing, to the contact person below, by no later than the **17**th **of February 2015**.

<u>Where to obtain more information:</u> To obtain additional information please contact the Environmental Assessment Practitioner at the details provided below.

Environmental Assessment Practitioner:

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Regards,

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