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South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA)

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Attention: To whom it may concern

NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATION FOR RECTIFICATION OF UNLAWFUL COMMENCEMENT AND CONTINUATION OF A LISTED ACTIVITY IN TERMS OF SECTION 24(G) OF NEMA, 1998, AS AMENDED: GOLDI FARM COMPOSTING SITE

Goldi, a Division of Astral Operation Limited, is applying for rectification in terms of Section 24(G) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended, for the unlawful establishment and continuation of a composting facility on Portion 15 of the farm Vlakfontein 388, IS, Standerton, Mpumalanga Province. Shangoni Management Services (Pty) Ltd was appointed, as the Independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), responsible for the facilitation of the rectification application.

Notice is hereby given to interested and affected parties of section 24(G) read together with section 24(F) and 12(3) of the National Environmental Management Act (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended, and Section 20 of the National Environmental Management: Waste Act (Act No. 59 of 2008) that the Mpumalanga Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism is considering:

- a. Granting Goldi rectification in terms of Section 24(G), 24(F) and 12(3) of the National Environmental Management Act (Act No. 107 of 1998, as amended) and Section 20 of the National Environmental Management: Waste Act (Act No. 59 of 2008); and
- b. Granting authorisation to Goldi from complying with the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, R544, Listing Notice 1 of 18 June 2010, which has been promulgated in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998, as amended, and Government Notice R718 of 3 July 2009, which has been promulgated in terms of the National Environmental Management, Waste Act, 2008, as stipulated below,

for the Goldi Farm Composting Site in Mpumalanga with reference number 17/2/10/24G (GS) – 01/2013/14 under the following:

Government Notice R544 of 18 June 2010, Listing Notice 1, Activity 11: “The construction of:

- (i) canals;
- (ii) channels;
- (iii) bridges;
- (iv) dams;
- (v) weirs;
- (vi) bulk storm water outlet structures;
- (vii) marinas;
- (viii) jetties exceeding 50 square metres in size;
- (ix) slipways exceeding 50 square metres in size;
- (x) buildings exceeding 50 square metres in size; or
- (xi) infrastructure or structures covering 50 square metres or more

where such construction occurs within a watercourse or within 32 metres of a watercourse, measured from the edge of a watercourse, excluding where such construction will occur behind the development setback line”.

Government Notice R544 of 18 June 2010, Listing Notice 1, Activity 23(ii): “The transformation of undeveloped, vacant or derelict land to – residential, retail, commercial, recreational, industrial or institutional use, outside an urban area and where the total area to be transformed is bigger than 1 hectare but less than 20 hectares”.

Government Notice R718 of 3 July 2009, Category A, Activity 2: “The storage including the temporary storage of hazardous waste at a facility that has the capacity to store in excess of 35m³ of hazardous waste at any one time, excluding the storage of hazardous waste in lagoons”.

Government Notice R718 of 3 July 2009, Category A, Activity 17: “The storage, treatment, or processing of animal manure at a facility with a capacity to process in excess of one ton per day”.

Government Notice R718 of 3 July 2009, Category A, Activity 18: “The construction of facilities for activities listed in Category A of this schedule (not in isolation to associated activity)”.

Government Notice R718 of 3 July 2009, Category B, Activity 1: “The storage including the temporary storage of general waste in lagoons”.

Government Notice R718 of 3 July 2009, Category B, Activity 4: “The biological, physical or physico-chemical treatment of hazardous waste at a facility that has the capacity to receive in excess of 500kg of hazardous waste per day”.

Government Notice R718 of 3 July 2009, Category B, Activity 5: "The treatment of hazardous waste using any form of treatment regardless of the size or capacity of such a facility to treat such waste".

Government Notice R718 of 3 July 2009, Category B, Activity 11: "The construction of facilities for activities listed in Category B of this schedule (not in isolation to associated activity)".

Attached please find a background information document, locality map of the site, and a stakeholder registration form in respect of the application.

Invitation to Participate: Parties wishing to formally object to and/or comment on the proposed rectification and environmental authorisation application are requested to submit their objections and comments (in writing with reasons) to Lizette Crous before or on the **18th of August 2014.**

Objections and comments must also be copied to:

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Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned should you require any additional information.

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Online Participation: Go to www.shangoni.co.za and click on Public Documents.

Regards,



Lizette Crous

Environmental Assessment Practitioner