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Interim Comment

In terms of Section 38(3), 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Mr Richard Gordon
Business Venture Investments No 1788 (Pty) Ltd

Application for Amendment of Environmental Authorisation for the Proposed Kokerboom 2 Wind Energy Facility on Farm Springbokpan (Farm no 1164) and Remainder of Farm Springbok Tand (Farm 215) near Loeriesfontein in the Northern Cape.

Aurecon South Africa (Pty) Ltd has been appointed by Business Venture Investments No. 1788 (Pty) Ltd to conduct an Environmental Authorisation (EA) Amendment Application for the authorised Kokerboom 2 Wind Energy Facility, near Loeriesfontein, Northern Cape.

A previous SAHRIS Case has reference (SAHRIS Case ID 10339 - <https://sahris.sahra.org.za/cases/kokerboom-2-wef>).

A draft Amendment report has been submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, No 107 of 1998 (NEMA), NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations. The proposed amendments to the authorised development include a new substation location, an increase in the rotor diameter, new construction camp/laydown area locations, 22 km of overhead MV powerlines (one section will not be located along the internal access roads) and a new 2.2 km HV powerline. Additionally, the locations of the turbines have been altered when compared to the Final EIA on SAHRIS Case ID 10339.

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In a Final Comment issued on 15/08/2017 on the original EA Application case for Kokerboom 2, SAHRA provided the following condition:

"If there are any changes to the layout then these should be evaluated by an archaeologist and a report must be submitted to SAHRA for comment. No construction may commence without comment from SAHRA."

As the proposed amendments to the authorized include changes to the footprint of the turbines, SAHRA requests that the condition provided in the Final Comment referenced above be completed as part of the EA Amendment Application.

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SAHRA advises the applicant to follow the process in terms of section 32(1)b of the NEMA EIA Regulations in order to comply with the requirements above.

Further comments will be issued upon receipt of the above.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

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