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## **Final Comment**

### **In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999) and the KwaZulu-Natal Heritage Act (Act 4 of 2008)**

**Attention:** Mr Len van Schalkwyk  
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**Umgeni Water Amanzi (Umgeni Water) is proposing to construct and operate a seawater desalination plant at Desainagar/La Mercy near Tongaat, on the KwaZulu-Natal North Coast, using seawater reverse osmosis technology. The desalination plant will produce 150 MI/day of freshwater when at final capacity.**

We acknowledge receipt of the Heritage Impact Assessment Report and Paleontological Report relating to this application. We note the findings and recommendations proposed by the Paleontologist and Archaeologist respectively regarding this development proposal. It is noted that there is no need for further paleontological work. Considering the archaeological sensitivity of the area, a watching brief proposed by the archaeologist should be implemented.

In view of the Heritage Reports by eThembeni and Alan Smith that we received, Amafa has no objection to the proposed development within limits of the prescribed mitigation measures and recommendations as outlined in the report. This is also subject to approval of development by SAHRA regarding the maritime zone archaeology.

You are also required to adhere to the below-mentioned standard conditions:

#### Conditions:

1. Amafa should be contacted if any heritage objects are identified during earthmoving activities and all development should cease until further notice.
2. No structures older than sixty years or parts thereof are allowed to be demolished altered or extended without a permit from Amafa.
3. No activities are allowed within 50m of a site, which contains rock art.
4. Sources of all natural materials (including topsoil, sands, natural gravels, crushed stone, asphalt, etc.) must be obtained in a sustainable manner and in compliance with the heritage legislation.

Failure to comply with the requirements of the National Heritage Resources Act and the KwaZulu Natal Heritage Resources Act could lead to legal action being instituted against the applicant.

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



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**Proposed Umgeni Water Desalination Plant and associated infrastructure ,  
Tongaat, eThekweni Municipality, KwaZulu-Natal**  
Our Ref: SAH15/8446



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Yours faithfully

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**ADMIN:**

Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/330770>  
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**Terms & Conditions:**

1. This approval does not exonerate the applicant from obtaining local authority approval or any other necessary approval for proposed work.
2. If any heritage resources, including graves or human remains, are encountered they must be reported to Amafa immediately.
3. Amafa reserves the right to request additional information as required.



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