Proposed Offshore Sandwinning For Developments Within The Port Of Durban, Kwazulu Natal

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Letter

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

Attention: Mr Nelson Mbatha

Transnet National Port Authority

Quayside Road, Port entrance 3, Suite 124 Ocean Terminal Building, Port of Durban, DURBAN,

4000

In order to prepare for the future container growth, the Port of Durban started a process for a phased container capacity expansion programme in order to improve throughput capacity by reconfiguring and rationalising the existing Durban Container Terminal (DCT). Pier 1 Phase 2 Project is part of the expansion programme and is seen as the key to the provision of medium and long term capacity. Other major expansion projects in the short term include deepening and lengthening of the North Quay, berth reconstruction and deepening at Island View and Maydon Wharf. As part of these expansions, TNPA has recognized the need for sandwinning of approximately 4.5 million m3 of offshore material which will be required as part of these developments. Two potential offshore sandwinning sites have been identified. Alternative Site 1 occurs approximately 1,2 km east of the Port of Durban harbour mouth and is approximately 110 hectares in size. Alternative Site 2 occurs slightly south of Alternative Site 1 and is approximately 250 hectares in size.

The MUCH Unit at SAHRA thanks the applicant for submitting the Final Environmental Impact Assessment Report (FEIAR) and the Final Underwater Heritage Impact Assessment (UHIA).

It is noted that the UHIA is unchanged from the previous version as no specific changes were requested by SAHRA.

The MUCH Unit thanks the applicant for submitting the Comments & Responses report, and for addressing the stipulations made in the Final Comment from SAHRA, dated 05-06-17.

Kindly note that all comments made by SAHRA throughout the application process apply.

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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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 SAHRA immediately.
- 3. SAHRA reserves the right to request additional information as required.