

## EASTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL HERITAGE RESOURCES AUTHORITY P.O. Box 16208 AMATHOLE VALLEY 5616

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Dear Sello Mokhanya,

## DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMNET REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF THE AIR TRAFFIC & NAVIGATION SERVICES (ATNS) DISTANCE MEASURING EQUIPMENT (DME) FOR FAPE 3: UITENHAGE, NELSON MANDELA BAY METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE

Air Traffic and Navigation Services SOC Ltd (ATNS) is proposing to establish a Distance Measuring Equipment (DME) site in a a privately owned and unproclaimed Zingari Private Nature Reserve, Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality, Eastern Cape Province. The overall objective of the proposed development is to provide safe, expeditious and efficient air traffic management solutions in order to improve navigation services and operations of airplanes within the South African airspace. In line with the NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations of 2014 as amended, ATNS has commissioned GA Environment (Pty) Ltd as an independent Environmental Consulting firm to undertake a Basic Assessment (BA) process to obtain the prerequisite Environmental Authorisation (EA) from the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) to commence with construction activities.

The DME Site in known as FAPE 3: Uitenhage. The site will occupy a footprint of approximately 56m<sup>2</sup> comprising of the following infrastructure:

- A shelter (container);
- A perimeter fence, a gate and a 15m steel swivel lattice mast (i.e. able to be rotated vertically and horizontally to allow for maintenance) that will be installed on a concrete foundation measuring 2m x2m x 1m with a DME antenna mounted at the top of the mast;
- A vehicle turning point area of approximately 60m<sup>2</sup> will be located immediately outside the gate of the DME site;
- An access road of approximately 2m wide is proposed to provide access to the DME site from the main road;
- A working area of 2m around the DME site as well as around the vehicle turning area and the access road; and
- Electrical supply in the form of powerlines and/or underground cables.

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In total the proposed development will have a footprint of approximately **540m<sup>2</sup>**, as outlined below:

Infrastructure	Area to be cleared
DME site	10m x 9m = 90m²
Access road & vehicle turning point	90m x 5m= 450m <sup>2</sup>
TOTAL	540m <sup>2</sup>

Table 1: Areas for clearance of vegetation for the proposed infrastructure

The site is located approximately 8.6 km north-northeast of the town of Uitenhage within a privately-owned and unproclaimed Zingari Private Nature Reserve on Portion 4 of the Farm Centlivres 231. The area within which the site is located falls within the jurisdiction of the Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality. The 21-digit Surveyor General Code for the property is C076000000023100004. The site centre coordinates are approximately 33°40'7.73" S; 25°28'22.19" E and can be accessed via the main road, R75.

Based on the recommendations of environment screening exercise undertaken for this study, a Heritage Impact Assessment was deemed unneessary for this development. GA Environment would appreciate comments from this Department as one of the Commenting Authorities no later than **12 July 2019**.

For any further information please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours Sincerely,

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