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**Attention:** Interested and Affected Parties (IAPs)

**ZETHU - MATSULU - BASIC ASSESSMENT**

**NOTIFICATION TO INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES, ABOUT THE REVIEW OF A DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT IN RESPECT OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF A WASTE TRANSFER STATION IN MATSULU FARM, ERF 312 AND CONSIDERED ALTERNATIVE SITE, ERF 311, WITHIN MATSULU TOWNSHIP, MANDELA PARK, MBOMBELA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY.**

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**MYEZO REF NO:** MYEZO REF NUMBER: ZMB 2017/04/BA  
**DARDLEA REF:** 17/4/WL/MP322/17/01 (WASTE LICENCE)  
**DARDLEA REF:** 1/3/1/16/1E-118 (BAR)

Notice is hereby given, in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, Act 107 of 1998 (NEMA): Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014 R982 (2014 EIA Regulations), Section 41 (2) (a) (b) (c) (d) (e) and (3) published in Government Notices No. R982, under Sections 24 (5) and 44 of NEMA, (as amended on 07 April 2017) of Mbombela Local Municipality's application for an environmental authorisation, in respect of the development of a waste transfer station in Matsulu.

**Background**

The proposed project, involves the construction of a waste transfer station in the Matsulu community of Mbombela, by Mbombela Local Municipality. The construction of the transfer station is part of municipality's integrated waste management strategy, that looks to develop waste transfer stations for the town of Mbombela. The waste will then be hauled from the transfer stations to the Tekwane West Central Waste Disposal Site (CWDS).

The proposed waste transfer station (drop-off, recycling and waste transfer) will be a facility for collection, sorting, compaction and transferring of waste from the waste collection vehicles or facilities to more appropriate containers and vehicles.

**Application for environmental authorisation**

With the above background, notice is hereby given in terms of Section 41 (2) (a) (b) (c) (d) (e) and (3) of the 2014 EIA Regulations "NEMA (as amended on 07 April 2017)", that an application for environmental authorisation has been submitted to the the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development and Land Administration (DARDLA), in terms of NEMA, in respect of listed activities that have been triggered by applications done in terms of the NEMA, as well as an application for a waste licence was also submitted in terms of National Environmental Management: Waste Act 2008 (No. 59 of 2008) (NEMWA). Therefore, Basic Assessment procedures are being applied to this application. A map showing the locality of the site, is included as Appendix 1 of this letter and the copy of the advert is included as Appendix 2. See details below regarding availability of the Basic Assessment Report (BAR).

The activities to be undertaken under this application include:

- R983 (Listing Notice 1) 04 December 2014 (As amended on 07 April 2017) Activity No. 27 (i) (ii);
- R985 (Listing Notice 3) 04 December 2014 (As amended on 07 April 2017) Activity No. 12 (f) (i) (ii) (iii) and 14 (x), (xii)-(f)-(i)-(dd), (hh)
- National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 2008 (Act 59 of 2008) GN 37083, 2013 (As amended) Category A (2): The sorting, shredding, grinding, crushing, screening or bailing of general waste at a facility that has an operational area in excess of 1000m<sup>2</sup>, Category A (3) The recycling of general waste at a facility that has an operational area in excess of 500m<sup>2</sup>, excluding recycling that takes place as an integral part of an internal manufacturing process within the same premises. Category A (5) The recovery of waste including the refining, utilisation, or co-processing of waste in excess of 10 tons but less than 100 tons of general waste per day or in excess of 500kg but less than 1 ton of hazardous waste per day, excluding recovery that takes place as an integral part of an internal manufacturing process within the same premises.

### **Basic Assessment Report Review**

The Mbombela Local Municipality has appointed a team comprising of engineers and environmental experts to undertake and compile supporting documentation for the environmental authorisation application. Zethu Consulting Services (Pty) Ltd (Zethu) are the project managers and the engineers for the project, whilst Myezo Environmental Management Services (Pty) Ltd (Myezo) is the project's Environmental Assessment Practitioners (EAP), who will as such be leading the technical aspects of the basic assessment process for the proposed waste transfer station.

The project is now at the Public Participation Process (PPP), and a notice for the review of the BAR has been advertised on the Lowvelder on the 29<sup>th</sup> of September 2017. Furthermore, a copy of the report can be viewed at the Matsulu Library. Moreover, site notices have been placed at the afore mentioned locations and other strategic areas for convenience to the public.

Please be advised that this notice serves to invite interested and affected parties (I&APs) to participate in the BAR public participation process which commences from Friday the 29<sup>th</sup> of September 2017 to Monday the 30<sup>th</sup> of October 2017. To ensure that you are registered as an I&AP or to lodge any concerns, formally object or seek clarity on the proposed project and request project related documentation. Furthermore, a public participation meeting will be held on the 05<sup>th</sup> of October 2017 at the Mbombela Municipality at 10:00am where you can also register your concerns.

Copies of the BAR will be made available at the Matsulu Library which is located at, 121 Madiba Dr, Matsulu-A, Matsulu, as well as at Mbombela Local Municipality; at 1 Nel Street Nelspruit. Alternatively, contact Myezo Environmental Management Services (Pty) Ltd on the details provided below. All issues and concerns can be lodged formally (in writing) using the reply slip attached as Appendix 3, by either email or fax at the details shown below. All comments on the BAR, or issues that should be covered on the succeeding BAR stage, should be submitted within 30 days, by the 30<sup>th</sup> of October 2017 to the EAP, on the contact details below.

Furthermore, on receipt of the BAR, please note that it is one volume with supporting appendices, included at the back of the report.

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