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**ENQUIRIES:** Samornay Smidt  
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Dear Sir

**COMMENT ON THE DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT ("BAR") IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 107 OF 1998) AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT ("EIA") REGULATIONS, 2014 (AS AMENDED) FOR THE PROPOSED MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT ON THE REMAINDER OF PORTION 33 OF FARM NO. 81, CLOETESDAL, STELLENBOSCH**

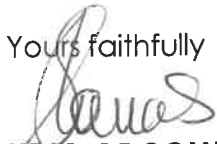
1. The draft Basic Assessment Report ("BAR") dated 27 January 2020, as received by the Department on the same day and this Department's correspondence dated 31 January 2020, refer.
2. Please find herewith the Department's comment on the draft BAR:
  - 2.1 It is noted that a new reservoir is required to ensure adequate potable water supply to accommodate the higher lying portion of the proposed development. Be advised that the reservoir in question requires an environmental authorisation and if the potable water supply for the proposed development solely relies on the additional capacity that will be provided by the proposed upgrades, a decision cannot be given on this application until such time as a decision is issued for the Kayamandi Upper reservoir or the application for the proposed reservoir has progressed to where an outcome can be determined.
  - 2.2 Since water supply (lower lying portion), sewerage disposal services, electricity supply and solid waste removal services will be supplied by the municipality, you are required to provide this office with written confirmation that the relevant

authority has sufficient capacity to provide the necessary services to the proposed development. Confirmation of the availability of services from the service providers must be provided together with the final BAR.

- 2.3 Comment from, but not limited to, the following authorities are required:
- Department of Transport and Public Works.
  - Stellenbosch Municipality.
  - Department of Agriculture.
  - Heritage Western Cape.
  - Department of Education with regards to the proposed school.
- 2.4 Proof of compliance with all the public participation steps undertaken, as required in terms of Regulation 41 of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) must be included in the final BAR.
- 2.5 A comprehensive Comments and Response Report that includes all the comments received and the responses thereto must be included in the final BAR. In addition, please ensure that copies of all the comments received are attached to the final BAR.
- 2.6 In terms of Regulation 34 of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), the holder must conduct environmental audits to determine compliance with the conditions of the Environmental Authorisation, the EMPr and submit Environmental Audit Reports to the Competent Authority. The Environmental Audit Report must be prepared by an independent person and must contain all the information required in Appendix 7 of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended). Please advise what the estimated duration of the construction phase will be. In addition, you are required to recommend and motivate the frequency at which the environmental audits must be conducted by an independent person.
- 2.7 Please be advised that an original signed and dated applicant declaration is required to be submitted with the BAR to this Department for decision-making. It is important to note that by signing this declaration, the applicant is confirming that they are aware and have taken cognisance of the contents of the report submitted for decision-making. Furthermore, through signing this declaration, the applicant is making a commitment that they are both willing and able to implement the necessary mitigation, management and monitoring measures recommended within the report with respect to this application.
- 2.8 In addition to the above, please ensure that original signed and dated EAP and specialist declarations are also submitted with the BAR for decision-making.
- 2.9 Please note that omission of any required information in terms of Appendices 1 & 4 of EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) with respect to the final submission to the Department of the BAR and EMPr respectively, may result in the application for environmental authorisation being refused.
3. Kindly quote the abovementioned reference number in any future correspondence in respect of the application.

4. This Department reserves the right to revise or withdraw any comments or request further information from you based on any information received.

Yours faithfully



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