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Dear Mr Venn

CORRECTION TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION ISSUED ON 27 JANUARY 2023, FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF UMMBILA EMOYENI ELECTRICAL GRID INFRASTRUCTURE, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

The Environmental Authorisation (EA) issued for the above application by this Department on 27 January 2023, your letter received by the Department on 10 February 2022 and acknowledged on 14 February 2023, refer.

In terms of Regulation 27 (4) of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended this Department has decided to amend the abovementioned decision to add the following listed activities in the EA which was omitted by the Department in error:

Activity number	Activity description
<u>Listing Notice 3, Item 10(f)(i)(cc)(ee)(h h)</u> <i>The development and related operation of facilities or infrastructure for the storage, or storage and handling of a dangerous good where such storage occurs in containers with a combined capacity of 30 but not exceeding 80 cubic metres</i> <i>f. Mpumalanga</i> <i>i. Outside urban areas</i> <i>(cc) Sensitive areas as identified in an environmental management framework as contemplated in chapter 5 of the Act and as adopted by the competent authority</i>	The development and operation of the 400/132kV MTS, onsite substations and power lines will require infrastructure for up to 80 cubic metres of storage of dangerous goods, which will include flammable and combustible liquids such as oils associated with the 400/132kV MTS, lubricants and solvents. The site is associated with the presence of freshwater/drainage features, a CBA1: Optimal (Terrestrial) and a CBA1: Irreplaceable (Freshwater) and is located within the Mpumalanga Province and outside urban areas. Further, parts of the site are located in areas which could be considered sensitive in terms of the Gert

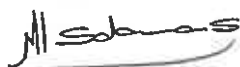
<p>(ee) Critical biodiversity areas as identified in systematic biodiversity plans adopted by the competent authority or in bioregional plans. (hh) Areas within a watercourse or wetland, or within 100 metres of a watercourse or wetland.</p>	<p>Sibande District Environmental Management Framework (EMF).</p>
<p><u>Listing Notice 3, Item 12(f)(ii)</u></p> <p>The clearance of an area of 300m² or more of indigenous vegetation within: b. Mpumalanga ii. Within critical biodiversity areas identified in bioregional plans.</p>	<p>The Umbila Emoyeni EGI development will require clearance in excess of 300m² within areas classified as CBA1: Optimal (Terrestrial) and CBA1: Irreplaceable (Freshwater) in the Mpumalanga Province.</p>

Reason for Correction

The Department erroneously omitted the abovementioned activities in the EA dated 27 January 2023. These two listed activities were included in the application form and in the Final EIA Report, but not in the Environmental Authorisation issued on 27 January 2023.

Please note that this letter must be read in conjunction with the Environmental Authorisation dated 27 January 2023.

Yours faithfully



Ms Millicent Solomons
Acting Chief Director: Integrated Environmental Authorisations
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment
 Date: 17/02/2023.

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Ms. Milicent Solomons
Director: Priority Infrastructure Projects

Dear Ms. Solomons

APPOINTMENT AS CHIEF DIRECTOR: INTERGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATIONS (ACTING), FROM 01 FEBRUARY UNTIL 28 FEBRUARY 2023

I hereby inform you that I have decided to appoint you as Acting Chief Director: Intergrated Environmental Authorisations from 01 February until 28 February 2023.

All correspondence and other documents that are usually signed by the Chief Director: Intergrated Environmental Authorisations during must be signed under Acting Chief Director: Intergrated Environmental Authorisations during the above-mentioned period.

Your appointment in the above acting position remains subject to the provisions of the Public Service Act, 1994 (Proclamation No. 103 of 1994), as amended, the Government Employees Pension Fund Act, 1996 (Proclamation No. 21 of 1998), the regulations promulgated under these Acts and relevant circulars.

In the execution of your duties and the exercising of the powers delegated to you, you will furthermore be subjected to the provisions of the Public Finance Management Act, compliance with the promotion of Access to Information Act, Promotion of Administrative Justice Act, the Minimum Information Security Standards, Departmental Policies and other applicable legislations with the Republic of South Africa. You are therefore advised to make yourself familiar with the provisions of the legislations and policies and the amendments thereof. (Copies of departmental policies can be obtained from the Human Resource Office).

Yours Sincerely


Ms. Devinagie Bendeman

Deputy Director-General: Regulatory Compliance and Sector Monitoring

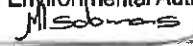
Date: 31 January 2023



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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I ~~ACCEPT / DO NOT ACCEPT~~
appointment as Acting Chief Director:
Intergrated Environmental Authorisations
Signed: 

Date: 31 January 2023