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Dear interested and Affected Party,  
Please find attached for your attention, a cover letter and Background Information Document (BID) on the proposed construction of a steel shed over an existing locomotive testing area in Bayhead, Port of Durban.

All I&APs are invited to participate by registering with and submitting their comments and contact details and an indication of any direct business, financial, personal or other interest which they have in the application, by post, fax or email to:


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GIBB will distribute further information on the project to all registered I&APs. Registration by 01 March 2013, will allow timeous distribution of information.

**NOTE: A Public Information Sharing Meeting will be held on 21 February 2013 at 17:30pm at Transnet Engineering, 311 Edwin Swales Drive, MPE Boardroom, Admin B building, second floor.**

Kind Regards,

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**To whom it may concern**

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**PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A STEEL SHED OVER AN EXISTING LOCOMOTIVE TESTING AREA IN BAYHEAD, PORT OF DURBAN: NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

The proponent, Transnet Engineering (TE), are proposing to construct a steel shed over an existing Locomotive Testing Area at their premises in Bayhead in the Port of Durban, KwaZulu-Natal. The shed to be constructed will have a footprint of approximately 324m<sup>2</sup>. It will also be ±18m from the Umhlatuzana Canal which runs parallel to the border fence, northwest of the property.

The existing Locomotive Testing Area is situated within the TE premises at 311 Solomon Mahlangu Drive, approximately 10km southwest from the Durban City Centre. The TE premises is currently used for wreckage salvage, maintenance, repairs and upgrading of coaches, wagons, locomotives and connected elements of the rail component of Transnet.

In terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations GN R 543, GN R 544 AND GN R 546, an environmental authorisation needs to be obtained for the proposed project. Transnet Capital Projects has therefore lodged an application for environmental authorisation from the relevant decision-making authority, the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA).

GIBB (Pty) Ltd (GIBB) has been appointed as the Independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner to compile the necessary application for environmental authorisation on behalf of Transnet and undertake the required Basic Assessment (BA) Process. A Public Participation Process forms part of the BA Process. GIBB has therefore prepared the enclosed Background Information Document to firstly inform all potential Interested and/or Affected Parties (I&APs) of the proposed project; and secondly provide details on how parties can register as I&APs to receive information on the BA and lodge any comments (raise issues and concerns) they may have.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us using the details provided above.

Yours faithfully  
for GIBB (Pty) Ltd

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Encl: Background Information Document



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