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To whom it may concern

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Dear Sir/Madam

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NOTIFICATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR PROPOSED EXPANSION OF THE EXISTING IRON ORE TERMINAL AT THE PORT OF SALDANHA

We have identified you as a potential Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) and therefore endeavour to draw your attention to the following notification and opportunity to participate.

1 NOTIFICATION

Notice is hereby given, in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations published in Government Notices (GN) 543, 544 and 546 of 02 August 2010 and in terms of the National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998 (as amended) that Transnet SOC Ltd proposes to expand the existing iron ore export facility within the Port of Saldanha. The port expansion is required for the increase of iron ore export from 60 million tons per annum (Mtpa) to 88 Mtpa. The expansion will involve the construction of an additional berth on the Saldanha side of the causeway, expansion of the existing iron ore stockyard, one additional (4th) tippler, two additional stacker-reclaimers, two additional ship loaders, upgrade of the conveyance, electrical and other associated infrastructure. Dredging of sediment and removal of hard material will be necessary in the navigation channel near the proposed berth, for the safe navigation of ships.

The following properties are affected: 196, 195/RE (Hopefield), 1185.

The need for a Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment process is triggered by:

GN R544 Listing Notice 1: 2, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 22, 24, 28, 38, 39, 40, 42, 43, 44, 45, 53, 54;

GN R545 Listing Notice 2: 5, 14, 15, 24; and

GN R546 Listing Notice 3: 3, 4, 10, 12, 13, 16, 23, 24

The listed activities require environmental authorisation from the national Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA Reference Number 14/12/16/3/3/2/567).

GIBB (Pty) Ltd has been appointed as the Independent Environmental Assessment Practitioners to undertake the Scoping and Impact Assessment Process, as well as the associated Public Participation Process for the project.



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A list of divisional directors is available from the company secretary.



2 OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE

2.1 Opportunity to register as an Interested and Affected Party

The public is afforded a 40 (forty) day period from **08 July 2013** to **19 August 2013** (inclusive) to register an interest and to submit comments in writing to the GIBB Public Participation Office. Please find a Comments Sheet enclosed for your perusal.

2.2 Background Information Document (BID)

GIBB has prepared a BID providing additional information on the development project. The BID can be downloaded from the website <http://projects.gibb.co.za> or be requested from the GIBB Public Participation Office.

2.3 Contact Details

GIBB Public Participation Office: Transnet Iron Ore Port EIA
PO Box 3965, Cape Town, 8000
Tel: +27 21 469 9294 (Mon – Fri 09h00 – 16h00)
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2.4 Distribution of information

GIBB will keep all registered I&APs informed of available information on the EIA and further opportunities to engage.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Your participation will be appreciated and valued.

Yours faithfully
for GIBB (Pty) Ltd



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Encl Comments Sheet