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Dear Authority, Interested and Affected party

**NOTIFICATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS FOR MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT INTERVENTIONS IN SURFACE STORMWATER SYSTEM, CITY OF CAPE TOWN  
(DEA Ref. No.: 16/3/1/3/1/A7/4/2031/12, Exemption Reference: 16/3/1/4/A7/4/2013/12)**

The City of Cape Town is responsible for undertaking the routine management and maintenance of Cape Town's numerous rivers, canals, vleis, wetlands, estuaries and constructed stormwater systems to ensure public safety, manage flood risk, promote habitat and biotic diversity and prevent or minimise infrastructure damage. The CCT undertakes these activities on a routine, repetitive basis throughout its jurisdictional area. All of these interventions are intended to keep the City's stormwater system functioning at an optimal level whilst maintaining and in some cases improving ecosystem health through rehabilitation of degraded systems.

Some of these interventions trigger the EIA Regulations (2010) in so far as they are regarded as being "listed activities" and hence require authorisation by the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP). The DEA&DP has advised CCT that due to changes in national legislation, the existing authorisation, obtained in 2000 under the Environment Conservation Act (Act No. 73 of 1989), needs to be re-applied for in terms of the current National Environmental Management Act (Act No. 107 of 1998), and its associated 2010 EIA Regulations.

This letter serves to notify you that the CCT is therefore currently undertaking a Basic Assessment process in support of an application to DEA&DP for the authorisation of a number of these maintenance activities. The enclosed Background Information Document (BID) provides further information, and can also be accessed here: <http://projects.gibb.co.za/en-za/projects/cctstormwater.aspx>

**YOUR COMMENT IS IMPORTANT**

You are considered to be a potential Stakeholder and we invite you to formally register as an Interested and Affected Party for this project. The public has a **30 (thirty) day** registration period commencing from **03 September 2012 to 07 October 2012** (inclusive) to register as an Interested and Affected Party (I&APs) for the above mentioned project.

Registration can be accomplished as follows:

- Contacting the Public Participation Office (email preferred) at the details below.
- Completing the Registration and Comment Sheet enclosed with the attached Background Information Document (BID) and submitting it to the Public Participation Office.

Kindly provide your comment in writing via email (preferred), letter or fax to the:

Att: Ms Marielle James

CCT Stormwater Public Participation Office:

By email: [cctstormwatereia@gibb.co.za](mailto:cctstormwatereia@gibb.co.za)

By phone: 021 4699245 (Office Hours: Mon to Fri – 09h00 to 13h00 excl. public holidays)

By mail: GIBB Public Participation Office, CCT Stormwater, P.O. Box 3965, Cape Town, 8000

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Yours faithfully



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