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Dear Interested & Affected Party,

NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION: PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF THE 30MW ST HELENA COMMUNITY WIND FACILITY AND ITS ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE ON THE FARM LANGEKLIP (ERF 47) NEAR ST HELENA BAY WITHIN THE SALDANHA BAY MUNICIPALITY, WESTERN CAPE PROVINCE.

The Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) has issued an environmental authorisation for the proposed construction of the 30MW St Helena Community Wind Facility and its associated infrastructure on the Farm Langeklip (Erf 47) near St Helena Bay within the Saldanha Bay Municipality, Western Cape Province. Please find attached to this letter a copy of the authorisation as issued on the 2 March 2012. A copy of the Environmental Authorisation can also be found on the following webpage:

<http://projects.gibb.co.za/Projects/StHelenaBayWindFarm.aspx>

Please be advised that the DEA has decided to accept the final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) dated January 2012 and grant authorisation for the proposed construction. The DEA based its decision on the following:

- The identification and assessment of the impacts are detailed in the EIR dated January 2012 and sufficient assessment of the key identified issues and impacts have been completed;
- The procedure followed for the impact assessment is adequate for the decision-making process;
- The proposed mitigation of impacts identified and assessed adequately curtails the identified impacts;
- All environmental legal and procedural requirements have been met; and
- EMP measures for the pre-construction, construction and rehabilitation phases of the development were proposed and included in the EIR and will be implemented to manage the identified environmental impacts during the construction process.

With respect to the above mentioned the DEA is satisfied that, subject to compliance with the conditions contained in the environmental authorisation the proposed construction will not conflict with the general objectives of integrated environmental management laid down in Chapter 5 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1988 and that any potentially detrimental environmental impacts resulting from the proposed construction can be mitigated to acceptable levels.

As per section 60(1) of the National Environmental Management Act, Environmental Impact Assessment (NEMA EIA) Regulations of 18 June 2010, any person affected by this decision and who wishes to appeal against the decision, must submit a notice of intention to appeal to the



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Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs (the minister) within 20 days of the date that the Environmental authorisation is issued., by means of:

- By facsimile: 012 320 7561;
- By post: Private Bag X447,
Pretoria,
0001; or
- By hand: 2nd Floor, Fredsure Building, North Tower,
Corner of Van der Walt and Pretorius Streets,
Pretoria

In terms of regulation 60(3) any person (I&AP or stakeholder) who has lodged such a notice of appeal must within 10 days provide the applicant with:

- (a) A copy of the notice of intention to appeal; and
- (b) A Notice indicating where and for what period the appeal submission will be available for inspection by the authorisation holder.

The appeal must then be submitted within 30 days of having after the lapsing of the period of 20 days provided for the lodging of the notice of intent to appeal. When submitting an appeal, the appellants must take into account any guidelines applicable to appeals as set out in Chapter 7 (Section 58-66) of the NEMA EIA Regulations 2010.

The appeal must be:

1. Submitted in writing;
2. Accompanied by:
 - a. A statement setting out the grounds of appeal;
 - b. Supporting documentation which is referred to in the appeal and which is not in the possession of the MEC; and
 - c. A statement that the appellant has complied with regulation 62(2) or (3) together with copies of the notices referred to in the regulation 62.

The Minister may on good cause extend the period within which a notice of intention to appeal must be submitted and/or the period within which the appeal must be submitted.

Should you have any further queries in this Regard, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

For and on behalf of Arcus GIBB (Pty) Ltd.



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