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Dear Authority and Interested and Affected Party

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

Reference number:

DEA: 14/12/16/3/3/2/567 (Competent authority)

GIBB wishes to inform you that Transnet SOC Ltd. has decided to place the Environmental Impact Assessment process for the proposed expansion of the iron ore terminal at the Port of Saldanha on hold. The expansion of the iron ore terminal was proposed in order for Transnet to increase the iron ore export capacity from 60 million tonnes per annum (mtpa) to 82.5 mtpa.

The project will proceed once clearly defined scopes for both interim and long-term expansion requirements have been agreed. Please refer to the attached communication from Transnet for more details in this regard.

The public participation process has therefore also been placed on hold and GIBB will be closing the orexport@gibb.co.za email address. No further reports or documents, apart from the Background Information Document, which was provided to the public in July 2013, will be made available for review and comment until such time as the EIA process recommences.

A number of registered interested and affected parties (I&APs) for the iron ore expansion project are also registered as I&APs for the Basic Assessment for the proposed provision of a third tippler and associated infrastructure at the Port of Saldanha. GIBB wishes to inform these I&APs that the tippler project is unaffected and the application for the third tippler is still valid.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Heydenrych", written in a cursive style.

REUBEN HEYDENRYCH

Environmental Assessment Practitioner for GIBB Pty Ltd

Encl.: Official communication from Transnet SOC Ltd dated 29 January 2014



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