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Dear Marianne Lesch

Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEADP) - George Office BY Email

RE: SUBMISSION OF FINAL EMPR FOR COMMENCEMENT FOR THE PROPOSED REGIONAL RESERVOIR FOR THE MOSSEL BAY AREA ON THE FARM VAALE VALLEY 219, MOSSEL BAY

(DEADP reference number – EG12/2/4/1-D1/14-0014/12 & 16/3/3/5/D6/29/0010/18)

HilLand Environmental have been appointed by the applicant, to ensure compliance with the regulations contained in the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA, No 107 of 1998) and Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations 2014 (as amended) for the proposed Regional Reservoir for the Mossel Bay Area on the Farm Vaale Valley 219, Mossel Bay.

The proposal entailed the construction of a 15Ml Reservoir and associated infrastructure. The detailed design attached to EMPr (Annexure B) indicates that the reservoir will be phased and now consist of 2 smaller reservoirs within the same approved servitude area.

The applicant intends to commence with the first reservoir and pipeline, subject to the approval of the attached EMPr.

The conditions of Environmental Authorisation (EA, dated 2013/08/28) are addressed as follows:

- J As per **condition 7** of the Environmental Authorisation (EA, dated 2013/08/28), please find attached to this letter **one (1) electronic copy of the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr)** (ref: GEO20/472/23) for the proposed proposed Development of the Regional Reservoir for Mossel Bay Area on Farm Vaale Valley 219, Mossel Bay, for your approval.
- J **Condition 2 (No commencement within 20 days)** – no work has commenced on site to date. Mossel Bay Municipality anticipates that the contractor will be appointed within October 2020 – commencement of construction, based on the project programme to still be compiled, will follow the appointment of the successful contractor.

The tender process for the project is due to commence shortly and on appointment of the successful tenderer we will notify the department of the intended date of commencement of construction in accordance with condition 4.2 of the EA.

If you require any further information or assistance, please contact us on (044) 889 0229 (Tel) 086 542 5248 (fax) or Email: environmental@hilland.co.za / admin@hilland.co.za / cathy@hilland.co.za

Kind Regards

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