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PER EMAIL

Dear Mr Koopman

CORRECTION TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION ISSUED ON 05 NOVEMBER 2021 FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE DARLING NATIONAL DEMONSTRATION WIND FARM AND ITS ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE (DARLING 1B WIND ENERGY FACILITY), WESTERN CAPE PROVINCE

The Environmental Authorisation (EA) issued for the abovementioned application by this Department on 05 November 2021 and the correction letter received by the Department on 25 November 2021, refer.

In terms of Regulation 27(4) of the Environmental impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended this Department has decided to amend the abovementioned decision to correct typographical errors on the Environmental Authorisation dated 05 November 2021 as follows:

Correction of the Listing Notices

· From:

Listing Notice 1, Item 24: "The development of a road with a reserve wider than 13,5 metres, or where no road reserve exists the road is wider than 8 metres."	Internal roads will be constructed and will be approximately 10 m in width, including turning circles and bypass areas of up to 20 m.
Listing Notice 3, Item 18: "The widening of a road by more than 6 metres, or the lengthening of a road by more than 1 kilometre (i) In the Western Cape (ii) In all areas outside urban areas (aa) in areas containing indigenous vegetation."	Existing roads will be widened by more than 4 m and lengthened by more than 1 km in areas containing indigenous vegetation within ESAs and CBAs to provide access during construction.

To:

Listing Notice 1, Item 24: "The development of a road (ii) with a reserve wider than 13,5 metres, or where no road reserve exists the road is wider than 8 metres."	Internal roads will be constructed and will be approximately 10 m in width, including turning circles and bypass areas of up to 20 m.
Listing Notice 3, Item 18:	
"The widening of a road by more than 4 metres, or the lengthening of a road by more than 1 kilometre (i) In the Western Cape (ii) In all areas outside urban areas (aa) In areas containing indigenous vegetation."	Existing roads will be widened by more than 4 m and lengthened by more than 1 km in areas containing indigenous vegetation within ESAs and CBAs to provide access during construction.

Correction of Condition 22

From:

The updated EMPr must be submitted to the Department for approval together with the environmental audit report, as per Regulation 34 of GN R. 982. The updated EMPr must have been subjected to a public participation process, which process has been agreed by the Department, prior to submission of the updated EMPr to the Department for approval.

To:

The updated EMPr must be submitted to the Department for approval together with the environmental audit report, as per Regulation 34 of GN R. 982, as amended. The updated EMPr must have been subjected to a public participation process, which process has been agreed by the Department, prior to submission of the updated EMPr to the Department for approval.

Correction of Condition 53

From:

Should any archaeological sites, artefacts, palaeontological fossils or graves be exposed during construction work, work in the immediate vicinity of the find must be stopped, the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) must be informed and the services of an accredited heritage professional obtained for an assessment of the heritage resources.

To:

Should any archaeological sites, artefacts, palaeontological fossils or graves be exposed during construction work, work in the immediate vicinity of the find must be stopped, <u>Heritage Western Cape (HWC)</u> must be informed and the services of an accredited heritage professional obtained for an assessment of the heritage resources.

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Please note that this letter must be read in conjunction with the Environmental Authorisation dated 05 November 2021.

Yours faithfully

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