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REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION FROM RE-ADVERTISING LISTED ACTIVITIES FOR THE PROPOSED HOTEL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MALELANE AREA OF THE KRUGER NATIONAL PARK.

WASTE MANAGEMENT LICENSE APPLICATION REF NUMBER: 12/9/11/L661/6

ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATION NUMBER: 12/12/20/610/69

The Waste Management License Application which was submitted to the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) on the 15th July 2011, in terms of the National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 2008 (Act No. 59 of 2008), has reference.

The previous Environmental Scoping Report which was submitted for the above mentioned project was rejected by the DEA in terms of Regulation 31 (1) (c) of G.N. R. 385 of the EIA regulations, 2006. One of the items identified for amendment was the fact that the newspaper adverts were not correctly published in relevant newspapers. There were technical errors relating to the fact that two newspapers need to be used to advertise the relevant triggered activities in terms of the Waste Act (Act No. 59 of 2008).

We would like to formally request for an exemption from re-advertising the listed activities for the following reasons:

- The adverts for the EIA process were published in the Lowvelder and Mpumalanga news at the beginning of the EIA process. Although these adverts did not include the relevant waste activity triggered, the project as a whole was advertised. Due to the nature of the project and the fact that the project is located in a Protected Area, the professional team believes that the additional listed activity would have had no effect on the registration of I&AP's as the focus is on the development as a whole and it's sensitive location.
- The listed activity in terms of the National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 2008 (Act No. 59 of 2008) was published in the Sunday Times, a national newspaper on the 19th December 2010. The relevant triggered activity in terms of the Waste Act, 2008 is as follows.

'GN. R 718, Category B (7): The treatment of effluent, waste water or sewage with an annual throughput capacity of 15 000 cubic metres or more.'

'GN. R 718, Category B (11): The construction of facilities for activities listed in Category B of this Schedule (not in isolation to associated activity).'

The above-mentioned activity will be triggered as the wastewater treatment facility of the proposed development will have an annual capacity of 25 550m³ which exceeds the regulated threshold of 15 000m³.

In order to ensure that all register I&AP's are fully aware of this listed activity, V&L Landscape Architects, the appointed Environmental Assessment Practitioners for this project, will include the clarification of this listed activity in their notification of the availability of the amended scoping report to I&AP's in March 2012.

This clarity will ensure that all registered Interested and Affected Parties are well aware of the listed activity and they will be provided with an opportunity to comment on this issue. Re-advertising the listed activity will mean an extended period before the scoping report can be made available for public review.

We would like to thank you for considering this request and we trust you find the above in order. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require additional clarity or information.

Warmest regards,

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