

Annex C

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Dear Madam

ACCEPTANCE OF THE FINAL SCOPING REPORT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION: EXPLORATION FOR DRILLING IN THE DURBAN AND ZULULAND BASINS, OFF THE EAST COAST OF SOUTH AFRICA

The Final Scoping Report (FSR) and Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment dated 08 March 2018 refer.

1. The Petroleum Agency SA (hereafter referred to as the 'Agency') has evaluated the submitted FSR and Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment and is satisfied that the documents comply with the minimum requirements of Appendix 2(2) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998): Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 (hereafter referred to as "EIA Regulations, 2014"). The FSR is hereby accepted in terms of Regulation 22 (a) of the EIA Regulations, 2014. You may therefore proceed with the environmental impact assessment in accordance with the tasks contemplated in the Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment submitted with the FSR and appendices 3-6 of the EIA Regulations, 2014.

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2. The implementation of the Plan of Study for EIA must be undertaken as outlined in the Final Scoping Report.
3. Issues and comments raised at scoping phase must be considered and addressed further during the EIA process.
4. The assessment of alternatives must include a full description of the process followed to reach the preferred alternative and such information must be provided in the Final EIR.
5. You are required to submit two hard copies of the EIR and EMPr and at least one soft copy (USB) of the complete EIR and EMPr to the Agency **on or before 03 August 2018**.

Yours sincerely



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Acting General Manager: Regulation

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Dear Ms. Stevens

APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION IN TERMS OF REGULATION 16 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS, 2014 (“EIA REGULATIONS”) UNDER THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 (“NEMA”)

The above application refers.

Your application for Environmental Authorisation in terms of Regulation 16 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 (EIA Regulations) is hereby acknowledged.

The Agency is aware that you have already submitted your scoping report on the 08th of March 2018 which was accepted on the 16th of April 2018. Therefore, according to Regulation 21(2), you are not required to submit another scoping report as the findings of the scoping report submitted are still valid.

You are therefore required to submit a final EIR/EMPR as contemplated in Regulation 23(1) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 on or before the **14th of December 2018**.

Directors: MP Fusi (Chairperson)

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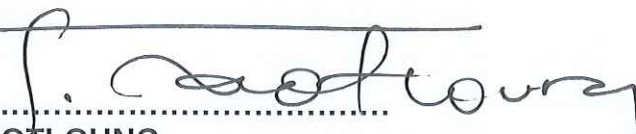
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Please take note that the EIR/EMPR must be subjected to a public participation process of at least 30 days.

Furthermore, you are required to notify us of the dates and places you intend to hold public consultation meetings.

Yours sincerely,


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ACTING GENERAL MANAGER: REGULATION

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