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#### APPLICATION FORM FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION

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Application for authorisation in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), (the Act) and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 (the Regulations)

#### PROJECT TITLE

THE PROPOSED EXPANSION OF THE EXISTING JUPITER CEMETERY BY APPROXIMATELY 2HA ON ERF 5530 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF PABALLELO, UPINGTON

#### Kindly note that:

- 1. This application form is current as of 07 April 2017 as amended. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ascertain whether subsequent versions of the form have been published or produced by the competent authority.
- 2. The application must be typed within the spaces provided in the form. The sizes of the spaces provided are not necessarily indicative of the amount of information to be provided. Spaces are provided in tabular format and will extend automatically when each space is filled with typing.
- 3. Where applicable black out the boxes that are not applicable in the form.
- 4. The application must be completed in terms of Regulation 16 of GN R.326
- 5. The use of the phrase "not applicable" in the form must be done with circumspection. Should it be done in respect of material information required by the competent authority for assessing the application, it may result in the rejection of the application as provided for in the Regulations.
- 6. This application must be handed in at the offices of the relevant competent authority as determined by the Act and Regulations.
- 7. No faxed or e-mailed applications will be accepted. Only original signed copies will be accepted.
- 8. Unless protected by law, all information filled in on this application form will become public information on receipt by the competent authority. Any interested and affected party should and shall be provided with the information contained in this application on request, during any stage of the application process.
- 9. Should a specialist report or report on a specialised process be submitted at any stage for any part of this application, the terms of reference for such report and declaration of interest of the specialist must also be submitted.
- 10. Proof of payment must accompany this application. The application will not be processed without proof of payment unless one of the exclusions provided for the Fee Regulations (Fees for consideration and processing of applications for environmental

authorisations and amendments thereto Government Notice.141, published on 28 February 2014 is applicable and such information in section 1 of this application form has been confirmed by this Department.

#### Queries must be addressed to the contact hereunder:

#### **Departmental Details**

#### Postal address:

Department of Agriculture Environmental Affairs Rural Development & Land Reform Attention: Directorate: Environmental Quality Management Private Bag X6102 KIMBERLEY

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#### Physical address:

Department of Agriculture Environmental Affairs Rural Development & Land Reform 90 Long Street, Sasko Building KIMBERLEY 8300

Queries should be directed to the Sub - Directorate: Impact Management:

Tel: (053) 807-7300 Fax: (053) 831-3530

View the Department's website at http://denc.ncape.gov.za/ for the latest version of the documents.

#### 1. PROOF OF PAYMENT

Applicants are required to tick the appropriate box below to indicate that either proof of payment is attached or that, in the applicant's view, an exclusion applies. Proof and a motivation for exclusions must be attached to this application form in **Appendix 1**.

Proof of payment attached as <b>Appendix 1</b>	
Exclusion applies	

### An applicant is excluded from paying fees if:

The activity is a community based project funded by a government grant; or The applicant is an organ of state.

TYPE OF EXCLUSION	Tick where applicable. Proper motivation must be attached to the application
The activity is a community-based project funded by a government grant	
The applicant is an organ of state	$\sqrt{}$

FEE AMOUNT	Fee
Application for an environmental authorisation for which basic assessment is required in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations	R2 000
Application for an environmental authorisation, for which S&EIR is required in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations	R10 000

Department of Environment & Nature Conservation' details for the payment of application fees:

Payment Enquiries:

Ms. T Leburu Tel.: (053) 807 7464/2

Email: <a href="mailto:tmakaudi@ncpg.gov.za">tmakaudi@ncpg.gov.za</a>
Cc: <a href="mailto:gletimela@ncpg.gov.za">gletimela@ncpg.gov.za</a>

**BANKING DETAILS:** 

ACCOUNT NAME : NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PAYMASTER GENERAL

ENVIRONMENT & NATURE CONSERVATION
BANK : STANDARD BANK SOUTH AFRICA

ACCOUNT NUMBER : 240013751
BRANCH CODE : 050002

REFERENCE TO BE USED BY APPLICANT : EIA/25/19

### 2. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Please provide a **detailed** description of the project.

The development proposal entails expanding the existing Jupiter Cemetery by approximately 2ha on Erf 5530 in the township of Paballelo, Upington. The proposed expansion area is located immediately south-west of the existing Jupiter cemetery.

Access to the proposed site exists.

Does the project form part of any of the Strategic Infrastructure Projects (SIPs) as	YES	NO
described in the National Development Plan, 2011?		

If YES, please indicate which SIPs are applicable in **Appendix 1**.

Please indicate which sector the project falls under by crossing out the relevant block in the table below:

Table 1

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Green economy + "Green" and energy-saving industries	Greenfield transformation to urban or industrial form (including mining)
Infrastructure – electricity (generation, transmission & distribution)	Biodiversity or sensitive area related activities
Oil and gas	Mining value chain
Biofuels	Potential of metal fabrication capital & transport equipment – arising from large public investments
Nuclear	Boat building
Basic services (local government) – electricity and electrification	Manufacturing – automotive products and components, and medium and heavy commercial vehicles
Basic services (local government) – area lighting	Manufacturing – plastics, pharmaceuticals and chemicals
Infrastructure – transport (ports, rail and road)	Manufacturing – clothing textiles, footwear and leather
Basic services (local government access roads)	Forestry, paper, pulp and furniture
Basic services (local government) – public transport	Business process servicing
Infrastructure – water (bulk and reticulation)	Advanced materials
Basic services (local government) – sanitation	Aerospace
Basic services (local government) – waste management	Basic services (local government) - education
Basic services (local government) water	Basic services (local government) - health
Agricultural value chain + agro-processing (linked to food security and food pricing imperatives)	Basic services (local government) - housing
Infrastructure – information and communication technology	Basic services (local government) security of tenure

Tourism + strengthening linkages between cultural industries and tourism	Other (Provision of cemeteries)	
Basic services (local government) – public		
open spaces and recreational facilities		

Provide details on the anticipated socio-economic values associated with the proposed project

## Table 2

Table 2	1
Anticipated CAPEX value of the project on completion	
What is the expected annual income to be generated by or as a result of the project?	N/A. The provision of burial space for the deceased constitutes providing a basic public service and is not a means of generating income
New skilled employment opportunities created in the construction phase of the project	N/A
New skilled employment opportunities created in the operational phase of the project	N/A
New un-skilled employment opportunities created in the construction phase of the project	N/A
New un-skilled employment opportunities created in the operational phase of the project	N/A
What is the expected value of the employment opportunities during the operational and construction phase?	N/A
What percentage of this value will accrue to previously disadvantaged individuals?	N/A
What percentage of this value that will accrue to previously disadvantaged individuals?	N/A
The expected current value of the employment opportunities during the first 10 years	N/A
What percentage of this value that will accrue to previously disadvantaged individuals?	N/A

Does the listed activity/ies applied for form part of a larger project which is not a listed activity itself e.g. a road that is a listed activity that is needed to	YES	NO
access a drilling site where the drilling does not constitute a listed activity.		
If indicated yes above, please provide a brief description on how the activi larger project that forms part there of:	ty/ies rela	ate to the

#### 3. **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Project applicant:	Dawid Kruiper Local Municipality			
Registration no (if any):				
Trading name (if any):				
Responsible position,				
e.g. Director, CEO, etc.:				
Contact person:	Mr. Willem Brand			
Physical address:				
Postal address:	Private Bag X6006			
	UPINGTON	T =		
Postal code:	8800	Cell:	083 262 2815	
Telephone:	(054) 338 7000	Fax:		
E-mail:	Willem.brand@dkm.gov.za			
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Provincial Authority:	Northern Cape Department of	Agriculture, Ei	nvironmental Affairs and Rural	
•	Development			
Contact person:	Drivete Dec V6100			
Postal address:	Private Bag X6102  KIMBERLEY			
Postal code:	8300	Cell:		
Telephone:	(053) 807 7300	Fax:		
E-mail:	(033) 607 7300	гах.		
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Local municipality	Dawid Kruiper Local Municipalit			
Contact person:	Private Bag X6006	. <u>y</u>		
Contact person.	UPINGTON			
Postal address:	8800			
Postal code:	(054) 338 7000	Cell:	083 262 2815	
Telephone:	Willem.brand@dkm.gov.za	Fax:		
E-mail:			L	
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n instances where there is r	more than one local authority involv	ed, please atta	ch a list of those local authorities	
with their contact details as				
I andowner	Same as Applicant			

Landowner:	Same as Applicant		
Contact person:			
Postal address:			
Postal code:		Cell:	
Telephone:		Fax:	
E-mail:			

In instances where there is more than one landowner, please attach a list of those landowners with their contact details as Appendix 3. If the applicant is not the owner or person in control of the land, proof of notice to the landowner or person in control of the land on which the activity is to be undertaken must be submitted in Appendix 3.

Identified Competent	Northern Cape	Department	of Agriculture,	Environmental	Affairs	and	Rural
Authority to consider the	Development						
application:							
Reason(s) in terms of							
Sec 24C of NEMA 1998							
as amended							

### 4. ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONER (EAP) INFORMATION

EAP:	Bernard de Witt								
Professional	BSc Forestry, B. Hons Administrati	BSc Forestry, B. Hons Administration (Public management); National Diploma in Parks							
affiliation/registration:	and Recreation Management; EIA		Auditors course	:					
<b>G</b>	(SABS) and EAPASA registration n	number 2021/3903							
Contact person (if different	N/A								
from EAP):									
Company:	Enviro Africa CC								
Physical address:	7 Pastorie Park, Corner of Lo	i							
•	7135								
Postal address:	P. O. Box 5367, Helderberg,								
Postal code:	7135		Cell:	082 448 9991					
Telephone:	021 851 1616		Fax:	086 512 0154					
E-mail:	bernard@enviroafrica.co.za								

If an EAP has not been appointed please ensure that an independent EAP is appointed as stipulated by Regulation 12 of GN R.326, dated April 2017 as amended, prior to the commencement of the process.

The declaration of independence and the Curriculum Vitae (indicating the experience with environmental impact assessment and the relevant application processes) of the EAP must also be submitted to the Department.

#### 5. SITE DESCRIPTION

Provide a detailed description of the site involved in the application.

Province	Northe	rn Cape							
District Municipality	ZF Mgcawu District municipality								
Local Municipality	Dawid	Kruiper	Local Mur	nicipality	,				
Ward number(s)									
Nearest town(s)	Upingto	on							
Farm name(s) and	Erf 553	0, Uping	gton						
number(s)									
Portion number(s)									
Coordinates of	Latitude	e (S) (DDI	MMSS)	Longitu	ide (E) (DD	(SZMMSS)			
corner points of	28°	25'	55.69"	21°	12'	03.96"			
study area (if there are more than 7 co-	28°	26'	02.57"	21°	11'	57.83"			
ordinates, please	28°	26'	12.42"	21°	12'	12.55"			

attach a list as Appendix 4)	28°	06'	09.95"	21°	12'	09.91"
For linear developments a list of turning points must be attached						

### SG 21 Digit Code(s)

(If there are more than 4, please attach a list with the rest of the codes as **Appendix 4**)

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Please attach a copy of the title deed(s) and SG diagram(s) to the application as **Appendix 5**.

Please attach a copies of environmental authorisations obtained on the same property as **Appendix 6**.

Are there any other a	pplications for	Environmental	Authorisation	on the	same	YES	NO
property?							
If YES, please indicate the	he following:	·					
Competent Authority							
Reference Number				•		•	•
Project Name				•		•	•
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Please provide details of the steps taken to ascertain this information: The applicant owns the crematorium and has confirmed that no other application for environmental authorisation has been lodged for the crematorium site.

#### 6. ACTIVITIES TO BE AUTHORISED

For an application for authorisation that involves more than one listed activity that, together, make up one development proposal, all the listed activities pertaining to this application must be indicated.

Detailed description of listed activities associate	ted with the project
Listed activity as described in GN R.327 and 324.	Description of project activity that triggers listed activity
Item 27, i.e., "The clearance of an area of 1 hectares or more, but less than 20 hectares of indigenous vegetation, except where such clearance of indigenous vegetation is required for—  (i) the undertaking of a linear activity; or  (ii) maintenance purposes undertaken in accordance with a maintenance management plan".	The proposed expansion of the existing Jupiter Cemetery requires that approximately 2ha of indigenous vegetation be cleared.
Item 44, i.e., "The expansion of cemeteries by 2 500 square metres or more".	The proposed expansion of the existing Jupiter Cemetery is approximately 2ha in size.

Please note that any authorisation that may result from this application will only cover activities specifically applied for. Co-ordinate points indicating the location of each listed activity must be provided with the relevant report (i.e. either BAR or EIR).

Please provide a project map indicating any sensitive areas (e.g. critical biodiversity area, World Heritage Site, etc.) overlaid by the study area in **Appendix 7**.

A project schedule, indicating the different phases and timelines of the project, must be attached as **Appendix 8**.

#### 7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Provide details of the public participation process proposed for the application as required by Regulation 41(2) of GN R. 326, dated April 2017.

The public participation process proposed for the application includes the pre-application public participation process in which *inter alia*, a newspaper advertisement was placed in a local newspaper, *i.e.*, Noordkaapbulletin of 26 January 2023, handing out pamphlets to the residents living next to the proposed site, placing a poster on the proposed site at the offices of the Dawid Kruiper Local Municipality. The public participation process requirements specified in Regulation 41 will be complied with during the EIA process.

However, it is requested that the applicant not be required to again place an advertisement in the local newspaper during the EIA process. The relevant State Departments and State Organs that will be requested to comment on the application include the National Department of Water and Sanitation, Northern Cape Department of Cooperative Governance, Human Settlement and Traditional Affairs as well as the ZF Mgcawu District Municipality.

Should any of the aspect(s) of the Public Participation process be considered infeasible or unreasonable for this application, please complete Section 9 below.

#### 8. OTHER AUTHORISATIONS REQUIRED

LEGISLATION	AUTHOR! REQUIRE		APPLIC SUBMIT	_
SEMAs	KLQUIKL	ט.	SODIVIT	ILD
National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act	YES	NO	YES	NO
National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act	YES	NO	YES	NO
National Environmental Management: Integrated Coastal	YES	NO	YES	NO
Management Act				
National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act	YES	NO	YES	NO
National Environmental Management: Waste Act	YES	NO	YES	NO
National legislation				
Mineral Petroleum Development Resources Act	YES	NO	YES	NO
National Water Act	YES	NO	YES	NO
National Heritage Resources Act	YES	NO	YES	<del>OV</del>
Others: Please specify	YES	NO	YES	NO

### 9. LIST OF APPENDICES

		SUBMITTED	
Appendix 1	Strategic Infrastructure Projects	YES	N/A
Appendix 2	List of Local Municipalities (with contact details)	YES	N/A
Appendix 3	List of landowners (with contact details) and proof of notification of landowners.	<del>YES</del>	NO
Appendix 4	List of co-ordinates and/or SGIDs	YES	N/A
Appendix 5	Title deed(s) and SG diagram(s)	YES	NO
Appendix 6	Copies of Environmental Authorisations obtained for the same property	YES	N/A
Appendix 7	Map indicating triggered areas for GN R.985	YES	NO
Appendix 8	Project schedule	YES	N/A
Appendix 9	Declaration of Applicant	YES	NO
Appendix 10	Declaration of EAP	YES	NO

# APPENDIX 1 STRATEGIC INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

#### SIP 1: Unlocking the northern mineral belt with Waterberg as the catalyst

- Unlock mineral resources
- Rail, water pipelines, energy generation and transmission infrastructure
- Thousands of direct jobs across the areas unlocked
- Urban development in Waterberg first major post-apartheid new urban centre will be a "green" development project
- Rail capacity to Mpumalanga and Richards Bay
- Shift from road to rail in Mpumalanga
- Logistics corridor to connect Mpumalanga and Gauteng.

#### SIP 2: Durban-Free State-Gauteng logistics and industrial corridor

- Strengthen the logistics and transport corridor between SA's main industrial hubs
- Improve access to Durban's export and import facilities
- Integrate Free State Industrial Strategy activities into the corridor
- New port in Durban
- Aerotropolis around OR Tambo International Airport.

### SIP 3: South-Eastern node & corridor development

- New dam at Mzimvubu with irrigation systems
- N2-Wild Coast Highway which improves access into KwaZulu-Natal and national supply chains
- Strengthen economic development in Port Elizabeth through a manganese rail capacity from Northern Cape
- A manganese sinter (Northern Cape) and smelter (Eastern Cape)
- Possible Mthombo refinery (Coega) and transshipment hub at Ngqura and port and rail upgrades to improve industrial capacity and performance of the automotive sector.

#### SIP 4: Unlocking the economic opportunities in North West Province

- Acceleration of investments in road, rail, bulk water, water treatment and transmission infrastructure
- Enabling reliable supply and basic service delivery
- Facilitate development of mining, agricultural activities and tourism opportunities
- Open up beneficiation opportunities in North West Province.

#### SIP 5: Saldanha-Northern Cape development corridor

- Integrated rail and port expansion
- Back-of-port industrial capacity (including an IDZ)
- Strengthening maritime support capacity for oil and gas along African West Coast
- Expansion of iron ore mining production and beneficiation.

#### SIP 6: Integrated municipal infrastructure project

Develop national capacity to assist the 23 least resourced districts (19 million people) to address all the maintenance backlogs and upgrades required in water, electricity and sanitation bulk infrastructure. The road maintenance programme will enhance service delivery capacity thereby impacting positively on the population.

#### SIP 7: Integrated urban space and public transport programme

Coordinate planning and implementation of public transport, human settlement, economic and social infrastructure and location decisions into sustainable urban settlements connected by densified transport corridors. This will focus on the 12 largest urban centres of the country, including all the metros in South Africa. Significant work is underway on urban transport integration.

#### SIP 8: Green energy in support of the South African economy

Support sustainable green energy initiatives on a national scale through a diverse range of clean energy options as envisaged in the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP2010) and support bio-fuel production facilities.

#### Indicate capacity in MW:

#### SIP 9: Electricity generation to support socioeconomic development

Accelerate the construction of new electricity generation capacity in accordance with the IRP2010 to meet the needs of the economy and address historical imbalances. Monitor implementation of major projects such as new power stations: Medupi, Kusile and Ingula.

#### Indicate capacity in MW:

#### SIP 10: Electricity transmission and distribution for all

Expand the transmission and distribution network to address historical imbalances, provide access to electricity for all and support economic development.

Align the 10-year transmission plan, the services backlog, the national broadband roll-out and the freight rail line development to leverage off regulatory approvals, supply chain and project development capacity.

#### SIP 11:Agri-logistics and rural infrastructure

Improve investment in agricultural and rural infrastructure that supports expansion of production and employment, small-scale farming and rural development, including facilities for storage (silos, fresh-produce facilities, packing houses); transport links to main networks (rural roads, branch train-line, ports), fencing of farms, irrigation schemes to poor areas, improved R&D on rural issues (including expansion of agricultural colleges), processing facilities (abattoirs, dairy infrastructure), aquaculture incubation schemes and rural tourism infrastructure.

#### SIP 12: Revitalisation of public hospitals and other health facilities

Build and refurbish hospitals, other public health facilities and revamp 122 nursing colleges. Extensive capital expenditure to prepare the public healthcare system to meet the requirements of the National Health Insurance (NHI) system. The SIP contains major builds for 6 hospitals

#### SIP 13: National school build programme

A national school build programme driven by uniformity in planning, procurement, contract management and provision of basic services. Replace inappropriate school structures and address basic service backlog and provision of basic services under the Accelerated School Infrastructure Delivery Initiative (ASIDI). In addition, address national backlogs in classrooms, libraries, computer labs and admin buildings. Improving the learning environment will strengthen outcomes especially in rural schools, as well as reduce overcrowding

#### SIP 14: Higher education infrastructure

Infrastructure development for higher education, focusing on lecture rooms, student accommodation, libraries and laboratories, as well as ICT connectivity. Development of university towns with a combination of facilities from residence, retail to recreation and transport. Potential to ensure shared infrastructure such as libraries by universities, FETs and other educational institutions. Two new universities will be built - in Northern Cape and Mpumalanga.

#### SIP 15: Expanding access to communication technology

Provide for broadband coverage to all households by 2020 by establishing core Points of Presence (POPs) in district municipalities, extend new Infraco fibre networks across provinces linking districts, establish POPs and fibre connectivity at local level, and further penetrate the network into deep rural areas.

While the private sector will invest in ICT infrastructure for urban and corporate networks, government will co-invest for township and rural access, as well as for e-government, school and health connectivity.

The school roll-out focus is initially on the 125 Dinaledi (science and maths-focussed) schools and 1525 district schools. Part of digital access to all South Africans includes TV migration nationally from analogue to digital broadcasting.

#### SIP 16: SKA &Meerkat

SKA is a global mega-science project, building an advanced radio-telescope facility linked to research infrastructure and high-speed ICT capacity and provides an opportunity for Africa and South Africa to contribute towards global advanced science projects.

#### SIP 17: Regional integration for African cooperation and development

Participate in mutually beneficial infrastructure projects to unlock long-term socio-economic benefits by partnering with fast growing African economies with projected growth ranging between 3% and 10%.

The projects involving transport, water and energy also provide competitively-priced, diversified, short and medium to long-term options for the South African economy where, for example, electricity transmission in Mozambique (Cesul) could assist in providing cheap, clean power in the short-term whilst Grand Inga in the DRC is long-term.

All these projects complement the Free Trade Area (FTA) discussions to create a market of 600 million people in South, Central and East Africa.

#### SIP 18: Water and sanitation infrastructure

A 10-year plan to address the estimated backlog of adequate water to supply 1.4m households and 2.1m households to basic sanitation.

The project will involve provision of sustainable supply of water to meet social needs and support economic growth. Projects will provide for new infrastructure, rehabilitation and upgrading of existing infrastructure, as well as improve management of water infrastructure.

# APPENDIX 2 (IF APPLICABLE) LIST OF LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES

# APPENDIX 3 LIST OF LAND OWNERS PROOF OF NOTIFICATION OF LAND OWNERS

# APPENDIX 4 (IF APPLICABLE) LIST OF CO-ORDINATES AND/OR SGIDS

# APPENDIX 5 TITLE DEED(S) AND SG DIAGRAM(S)

# APPENDIX 6 (IF APPLICABLE) COPIES OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATIONS OBTAINED ON THE SAME PROPERTY

# APPENDIX 7 (IF APPLICABLE) PROJECT MAP

# APPENDIX 8 PROJECT SCHEDULE

#### **APPENDIX 9**

#### **DECLARATION OF THE APPLICANT**

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- am, or represent<sup>1</sup>, the applicant in this application;
- have appointed / will appoint (delete that which is not applicable) an environmental assessment practitioner to act as the independent environmental assessment practitioner for this application / will obtain exemption from the requirement to obtain an environmental assessment practitioner<sup>2</sup>;
- will provide the environmental assessment practitioner and the competent authority with access to all information at my disposal that is relevant to the application;
- will be responsible for the costs incurred in complying with the Regulations, including but not limited to
  - costs incurred in connection with the appointment of the environmental assessment practitioner or any person contracted by the environmental assessment practitioner;
  - costs incurred in respect of the undertaking of any process required in terms of the Regulations;
  - costs in respect of any fee prescribed by the Minister or MEC in respect of the Regulations;
  - costs in respect of specialist reviews, if the competent authority decides to recover costs; and
  - the provision of security to ensure compliance with conditions attached to an environmental authorisation, should it be required by the competent authority;
- will ensure that the environmental assessment practitioner is competent to comply with the requirements of the Regulations and will take reasonable steps to verify that the EAP
  - know the Act and the regulations, and how they apply to the proposed development
  - know any applicable guidelines
  - o perform the work objectively, even if the findings do not favour the applicant
  - o disclose all information which is important to the application and the proposed development
  - have expertise in conducting environmental impact assessments
  - complies with the Regulations
- will inform all registered interested and affected parties of any suspension of the application as well as of any decisions taken by the competent authority in this regard:
- am responsible for complying with the conditions of any environmental authorisation issued by the competent authority;
- hereby indemnify the Government of the Republic, the competent authority and all its officers, agents and
  employees, from any liability arising out of the content of any report, any procedure or any action which
  the applicant or environmental assessment practitioner is responsible for in terms of these Regulations;
- will not hold the competent authority responsible for any costs that may be incurred by the applicant in proceeding with an activity prior to obtaining an environmental authorisation or prior to an appeal being decided in terms of these Regulations;
- will perform all other obligations as expected from an applicant in terms of the Regulations:
- all the particulars furnished by me in this form are true and correct; and
- I realise that a false declaration is an offence in terms of regulation 71 and is punishable in terms of section 24F of the Act.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>If this is signed on behalf of the applicant, proof of such authority from the applicant must be attached. <sup>2</sup>If exemption is obtained from appointing an EAP, the responsibilities of an EAP will automatically apply to the person conducting the environmental impact assessment in terms of the Regulations.

Signature <sup>3</sup> of the applicant <sup>4</sup> / Signature on behalf of the applicant:
Name of company (if applicable):
Date:
Signature of the Commissioner of Oaths:
Date:
Designation
Designation:
Official stamp (below):

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Only original signatures will be accepted. No scanned, copied or faxed signatures will be accepted. <sup>4</sup>If the applicant is a juristic person, a signature on behalf of the applicant is required as well as proof of such authority. An EAP may not sign on behalf of an applicant.

#### **APPENDIX 10**

#### **DECLARATION OF THE EAP**

I, Bernard de Witt, declare that -

#### General declaration:

- I act as the independent environmental practitioner in this application
- I will perform the work relating to the application in an objective manner, even if this results in views and findings that are not favourable to the applicant
- I declare that there are no circumstances that may compromise my objectivity in performing such work;
- I have expertise in conducting environmental impact assessments, including knowledge of the Act, Regulations and any guidelines that have relevance to the proposed activity;
- I will comply with the Act, Regulations and all other applicable legislation;
- I will take into account, to the extent possible, the matters listed in regulation 8 of the Regulations when preparing the application and any report relating to the application;
- I have no, and will not engage in, conflicting interests in the undertaking of the activity;
- I undertake to disclose to the applicant and the competent authority all material information in my possession that reasonably has or may have the potential of influencing any decision to be taken with respect to the application by the competent authority; and the objectivity of any report, plan or document to be prepared by myself for submission to the competent authority;
- I will ensure that information containing all relevant facts in respect of the application is distributed or
  made available to interested and affected parties and the public and that participation by interested and
  affected parties is facilitated in such a manner that all interested and affected parties will be provided with
  a reasonable opportunity to participate and to provide comments on documents that are produced to
  support the application;
- I will ensure that the comments of all interested and affected parties are considered and recorded in reports that are submitted to the competent authority in respect of the application, provided that comments that are made by interested and affected parties in respect of a final report that will be submitted to the competent authority may be attached to the report without further amendment to the report;
- I will keep a register of all interested and affected parties that participated in a public participation process; and
- I will provide the competent authority with access to all information at my disposal regarding the application, whether such information is favourable to the applicant or not
- all the particulars furnished by me in this form are true and correct;
- will perform all other obligations as expected from an environmental assessment practitioner in terms of the Regulations; and
- I realise that a false declaration is an offence in terms of regulation 71 of the Regulations and is punishable in terms of section 24F of the Act.

### Disclosure of Vested Interest (delete whichever is not applicable)

•	I do not have and will not have any vested interest (either business, financial, personal or other) in the proposed activity proceeding other than remuneration for work performed in terms of the Regulations;
•	I have a vested interest in the proposed activity proceeding, such vested interest being:
Sig	nature of the environmental assessment practitioner:
Na	me of company:
Da	e:
Sig	nature of the Commissioner of Oaths:
Da	te:
De	signation:
Off	icial stamp (below)

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