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Attention: Mr. S. Kleinhans

APPENDIX E:20 OF THE PRE-APPLICATION BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT – CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT OF EAP & APPOINTMENT OF SPECIALISTS FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT ON FARM PORTION 278 AND 282 OF FARM KRAAIBOSCH NO 195, GEORGE, WESTERN CAPE.

We, Sharples Environmental Services, confirm that we were appointed by Garden Route Gateway Plaza (Pty) Ltd, prior to 8th August 2022. The Notice of Intent to Submit an Application for Environmental Authorization was submitted to the DEA&DP on the 26th of July 2021 (see proof of acknowledgment of receipt from DEA&DP attached to this letter). The NOI notes the EAP's as Mr John Sharples (the reviewer) and Miss Ameesha Sanker (the author).

We, hereby confirm that the following specialists were appointed <u>after</u> March 2020 and October 2020. All specialists were required to compile reports in compliance with the relevant protocol for the specialist assessment and minimum report content requirements of environmental impacts on the specific theme (if applicable). Specialist details and relevant registrations are confirmed below, their relevant curriculum vitaes have been included in their specialist reports (Appendix G of the Draft BAR).

THEME	SPECIALIST DETAILS	
ASSESSED	NAME OF COMPANY &/OR SPECIALIST	REGISTRATION
Aquatic Biodiversity Assessment	Author: Debbie Fordham (M.SC. Environmental Science)	







	Collaborating Scientist and Reviewer: Dr Brian Colloty (<i>Pr. Sci. Nat.</i>)	PR SCI NAT 400268/07
Environmental Compliance Statement (Terrestrial Biodiversity and Plant Species)	Company: Mark Berry Environmental Consultants Author: Mark Berry (<i>Pr. Sci. Nat.</i>) PhD	PR SCI NAT 400073/98
Agricultural Compliance Statement	Author: Johann Lanz (Pr. Sci. Nat.)	PR SCI NAT 400268/12

Please note that all specialist studies aligned with a specified applicable protocol and have been assessed or contributed to by a SACNASP Registered Professional, unless SACNASP does not support the specific field. All other specialist assessments are in-line with Appendix 6 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended 2017)

Should you have any enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you.

Ameesha Sanker

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