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To:

Environmental Impact Management Services (Region 3)
Western Cape Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning
George Regional Office

Attention: Marlin Henry

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RE: NOTIFICATION OF 50-DAY EXTENSION OF TIME FOR SUBMISSION OF THE BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT IN TERMS OF REGULATION 19 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS, 2014, AS AMENDED

PROPOSED REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING ROAD AND CULVERT INFRASTRUCTURE LOCATED ALONG DIVISION ROAD (DR) 1602 KM 8.48, KLEINPLAAS ROAD CROSSING FARM 338 AND PORTION 6 OF FARM 220, MOSSEL BAY MUNICIPALITY
DEA&DP REFERENCE: 16/3/3/1/D6/29/0022/26

Dear Sir/Madam,

Sharples Environmental Services (SES), on behalf of the **Western Cape Government: Department of Infrastructure – Transport Infrastructure Branch**, hereby notifies the Department of the intension to utilise the 50-day extension of time for the submission of the Basic Assessment Report (BAR) for the above-mentioned application.

The application for Environmental Authorisation was submitted to the Western Cape Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP) on **29 April 2026**. In the acknowledgement letter dated **8 May 2026**, the Department stipulated, in accordance with Regulation 19 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended, that the BAR, which has been subjected to public participation, must be submitted to the Department for decision within 90 days from the date of receipt of the application. The Department further advised that, where significant changes have been made or significant new information has been added to the BAR, the Applicant/EAP must notify the Department that an additional 50 days would be required, resulting in a total period of 140 days from receipt of the application. The Department further specified that this additional period must include a minimum 30-day commenting period for registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs).

Following the first round of public participation and the consideration of updated project information, including further assessment undertaken as part of the Basic Assessment process, additional information and amendments have been incorporated into the Revised Draft Basic Assessment Report and Environmental Management Programme. This included





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consideration of updated specialist input and comments received from authorities and I&APs.

As a result of the updated information and amendments to the environmental assessment documentation, a **second round of public participation will be undertaken** to provide registered I&APs with a further opportunity to review and comment on the revised information prior to the finalisation and submission of the Final BAR to the Department for decision-making.

We trust that the above is in order. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned should any further information be required.

Yours faithfully,

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