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*"7. Construction must be completed within fifteen (15) years of commencement of the activity on site."*

**Reason for amendment:**

The applicant requires an extension of the construction period to a maximum of 15 years. The project originally commenced on 29 January 2018, with an anticipated completion period of 30 months. However, due to unforeseen challenges with the appointed contractors, construction was temporarily halted. The first contractor experienced financial difficulties and was unable to complete the works as scheduled, resulting in the cessation of construction in April 2021. The contract was subsequently reassigned to a second contractor on 21 November 2021. During this transition period, heavy rainfall caused the Gwaing River to flood, damaging scaffolding and formwork, which prevented further progress. The second contractor was subsequently placed under voluntary liquidation in June 2022. As a result of these disruptions, additional time is required to complete the project. It is anticipated that the third contractor will commence work in mid-2026. Construction is expected to take 18 months, with provision for a 3-month extension of time and a 12-month defect period. Consequently, an additional maximum period of 10 years is requested to account for the time already elapsed and to ensure the project is completed successfully. SANRAL will ensure that the remaining works are finalised within the proposed extended timeframe once the new contractor is appointed.

**This amendment letter must be read in conjunction with the Environmental Authorisation dated 24 August 2017.**

In terms of the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act, 2000 (Act No 3 of 2000), you are entitled to the right to fair, lawful and reasonable administrative action; and to written reasons for administrative action that affects you negatively. Further your attention is drawn to the provisions of the Protection of Personal Information Act, 2013 (Act No. 4 of 2013) which stipulates that the Department should conduct itself in a responsible manner when collecting, processing, storing and sharing an individual or another entity's personal information by holding the Department accountable should the Department abuse or compromise your personal information in any way.

In terms of Regulation 4(2) of the EIA Regulations, you are instructed to notify all registered interested and affected parties, in writing and within fourteen (14) days of the date of the EA, of the Department's decision as well as the provisions regarding the submission of appeals that are contained in the Regulations.

Your attention is drawn to Chapter 2 of National Environmental Management Act, Act No. 107 of 1998 National Appeal Regulations published under Government Notice R.5985 in Government Gazette No. 52269 dated 13 March 2025 (National Appeal Regulations, 2025), which prescribe the appeal procedure to be followed. Kindly include a copy of this document (National Appeal Regulations, 2025) with the letter of notification to interested and affected parties in this matter.

Should any person wish to lodge an appeal against this decision, he/she must submit the appeal to the appeal administrator, and a copy of the appeal to the applicant, any registered interested and affected party, and any organ of state with interest in the matter within 20 days from the date that the notification of the decision was sent to the registered interested and affected parties by the applicant; or the date that the notification of the decision was sent to the applicant by the Department, whichever is applicable.

**Appeals must be submitted in writing in the prescribed form to:**

The Director: Appeals and Legal Review of this Department at the below mentioned addresses.

By email: [appeals@dffe.gov.za](mailto:appeals@dffe.gov.za)

By hand: Environment House  
473 Steve Biko Road  
Arcadia  
**PRETORIA**  
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By post: Private Bag X447  
**PRETORIA**  
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Please note that, in terms of Section 43(7) of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No. 107 of 1998, as amended, the lodging of an appeal will suspend the environmental authorisation or any provision or condition attached thereto. In the instance where an appeal is lodged, you may not commence with the activity until such time that the appeal is finalised.

To obtain the prescribed appeal form and for guidance on the submission of appeals, please visit the Department's website at <https://www.dffe.gov.za/documents/forms#legal> authorisations or request a copy of the documents at [appeals@dffe.gov.za](mailto:appeals@dffe.gov.za).

Yours faithfully



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