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Dear Sir,

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF THE APPLICATION FORM TO WHICH A SCOPING & ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING ("EIR") PROCESS MUS BE APPLIED IN TERMS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS, 2014 FOR THE PROPOSED CREMATORIUM ON ERF 50, MOSSDUSTRIA, MOSSEL BAY**

1. The abovementioned document dated 6 April 2023 received by this Directorate on 6 April 2023, refers.
2. This letter serves as an acknowledgment of receipt of the aforementioned document by the Department.
3. In accordance with sub-regulation 3(1) and 3(2) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 (Government Notice No. R. 982 of 4 December 2014, as amended) ("*the EIA Regulations, 2014*"), the date of receipt of the application form is determined to be **6 April 2023**.
4. Kindly quote the above-mentioned reference number in any future correspondence in respect of the application.
5. *Scoping Report Requirements*

The Scoping Report must contain all the information outlined in Appendix 2 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 and must also include the information requested in this letter as well as the correspondence issued in the pre-application phase (DEA&DP ref. no. 16/3/3/6/7/1/D6/28/0298/22). Failure to submit any information prescribed in Appendix 2 of GN No. R. 982 may result in Environmental Authorisation being refused.

**The Scoping and EIA phases of the EIA process are two distinctly separate phases, each having its own requirements and reports to be submitted. The Department will not accept Scoping and EIA Reports where the processes or information of the two phases were combined into a single process or report.**

6. The Department awaits the submission of the draft Scoping Report for comment as prescribed by Regulation 21 of the EIA Regulations, 2014. In accordance with Regulation 21, the Department hereby stipulates that the Scoping Report must be submitted to this Department for decision within **44 days** from the date of receipt of the application by the Department, calculated from 6 April 2023.
7. If the Scoping Report is not submitted within the prescribed timeframe, the application will lapse in terms of Regulation 45 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 and your application file will be closed. Should you then wish to pursue the application again, a new application process would have to be initiated. A new Application Form would have to be submitted and the prescribed application fee would have to be paid.
8. Please note it is an offence in terms of Section 49A of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act no. 107 of 1998) ("NEMA") for a person to commence with a listed activity unless the competent authority has granted an environmental authorisation for the undertaking of the activity. A person convicted of an offence in terms of the above is liable to a fine not exceeding R10 million or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding 10 years, or to both such fine and imprisonment.
9. The Department reserves the right to revise initial comments and request further information based on the information received.

Yours faithfully

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