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To Whom it May Concern Interested & Affected Party

VIA EMAIL

RE: ENVIRONMENTAL BASIC ASSESSMENT FOR PACALTSDORP WEST BULK WATER SUPPLY ON REMAINDER OF ERF 325, PACALTSDORP, GEORGE MUNICIPALITY

Cape EAPrac has been appointed as independent environmental consultants responsible for facilitating the environmental investigation and formal Basic Assessment process for the proposed Pacaltsdorp West reservoirs and associated infrastructure on Remainder of Erf 325, Pacaltsdorp, George Municipality (Figure 1).



Figure 1: Locality map of proposed development site (yellow outlined area) on a portion of Remainder of Erf 325, Pacaltsdorp.

The proposed development entails two (2) new water reservoirs, pump station and two (2) water pressure towers on a portion of Remainder of Erf 325 in Pacaltsdorp West. The proposed development site is located near the corner of Beach Road and Olympic Street, behind the existing Pacaltsdorp sport fields (Figure 2).

The proposed development will entail the following infrastructure:

Two (2) x 14.5ML Water reservoirs.

- One (1) x Pump station.
- One (1) x 1.25ML Pressure tower.
- One (1) x 1.75ML Pressure tower.
- Access roads (4.5m wide) from Olympic Street and Beach Road.
- Fence (480m long and 2.4m high).
- Interconnecting pipelines.
- Stormwater drainage pipes, headwalls and level spreaders.

There is an existing municipal water reservoir (3ML capacity), pump station and water pressure tower (0.34ML capacity) located outside the study area on the north-eastern corner of the Pacaltsdorp sport fields, at the intersection of Olympic Street and Beach Road. The proposed water supply infrastructure will supplement these as part of the greater Municipal water supply network.



Figure 2: Locality map of proposed development site located south of the Pacaltsdorp sport fields (blue circle) with the existing reservoir/pressure tower indicated by the red circle on the corner of Beach Road and Olympic Street (CapeFarmMapper, 2023).

Listing Notice 1 (Activity 9, 12 and 27) and Listing Notice 3 (Activity 2, 4, 12 and 14) applies to the proposed development for which a Basic Assessment process is required.

The applicant proposes to subdivide and rezone the proposed development site from Undetermined Use Zone to Utility Zone for the purpose of accommodating the services.

Potential I&APs and mandated Authorities/Organs of State are invited to **review and submit comment** on the Draft Basic Assessment Report (DBAR), which will be available for a **30-day commenting period**.

The 30-day commenting period extends from **Wednesday**, **06 September 2023 to Monday**, **09 October 2023**. All comments must be submitted before/on **09 October 2023** to Mr Francois Byleveld (see below address).

The DBAR can be accessed, from **Wednesday**, **06 September 2023**, via the Cape EAPrac website (<u>www.cape-eaprac.co.za</u> under 'Active Projects' – the project is listed as "Pacaltsdorp West Bulk Water Supply"). You are also welcome to request electronic links, or alternatively we can send the reports via electronic platforms such as WeTransfer / OneDrive. Should you require a flash drive with the complete report you can request such in writing.

Potential I&APs wanting to register must submit their **full contact details** and/or submissions to *Cape EAPrac*, within the stipulated 30-day commenting period, to below address. Your motivation for, or interest in the outcome of the application, must please be stipulated in your registration/submission. You are required to indicate your preferred method of communication as part of your registration/submission.

Parties registering with Cape EAPrac, or submitting formal comments, will be formally registered on the Stakeholder Register. Registered stakeholders will be kept informed throughout the remainder of the environmental application process, as well as be informed of the outcome of the application.

Should you have any queries about the proposal or process you are most welcome to contact the undersigned directly.

Input from stakeholders is very important to help inform the process, as well as decision-making and we kindly do request that those with an interest or mandate, please do take the time to review the report and provide us with your comment so that we can consider and respond thereto as part of the process. All submission will be incorporated into the Final Basic Assessment that will be presented to the Competent Authority for decision-making.

Kind regards,

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