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Arabel McClelland  
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Dear Arabel

**INTEGRATED BASIC ASSESSMENT AND WASTE MANAGEMENT LICENCE APPLICATION  
PROCESS FOR THE DECOMMISSIONING AND REHABILITATION OF THE STELLENBOSCH  
LANDFILL SITE IN STELLENBOSCH, WESTERN CAPE**

**DEA&DP LAND MANAGEMENT REFERENCE NUMBER: 16/3/1/1/B4/45/1081/14  
DEA&DP WASTE MANAGEMENT REFERENCE NUMBER: 19/2/5/1/B4/46/WL0118/14**

**FORMAL UPDATE OF THE BASIC ASSESSMENT APPLICATION PROCESS AND REQUEST FOR  
EXTENSION**

Your letter dated 11 November 2016 authorising an extension on the submission of the Final Basic Assessment Report (BAR) until 31 May 2017 and your email correspondence dated 13 April 2017 has reference.

Aurecon would like to notify your Department of the progress to date regarding the application made in terms of Section 52 (1) of The National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) and formally request a further extension on the submission of the Final BAR to your department.

The following summarises the progress made to date in terms of NEMA and the motivation for an extension.

**PROGRESS MADE TO DATE**

1. The Stellenbosch Municipality has procured a design engineer namely Royal HaskoningDHV (Pty) Ltd (RHDHV) for the design of the proposed gas to energy facility, which would convert methane gas generated from the landfill into power which would supply the Wastewater Treatment Works adjacent to the landfill site with electricity. The Design Philosophy Report was received on 19 May 2017.
2. Upon receiving the Design Philosophy Report from RHDHV, information pertaining to the landfill gas to power plant and associated infrastructure has been incorporated into the Final BAR. The BAR is currently being finalised for review and comment by registered I&APs.

**UPCOMING TASKS:**

1. When the BAR has been finalised, it will be made available for a 30 day comment period as of 30 May 2017 until 30 June 2017.
2. Upon completion of the 30 day comment period, all comments will be collated by Aurecon and sent to your Department along with the Final Basic Assessment for review and decision making.
3. The DWS have unfortunately not yet responded on the landfill design report and detailed design that was submitted in 2015 and subsequently the amendment design report in 2016. Due to the extension deadline of 30 May 2017, Aurecon cannot hold off the submission of the Final BAR to your Department any longer.

Taking the above information into consideration, we hereby request a further extension in order to complete and close out the Basic Assessment Process for this project. Formal correspondence in this regard would be appreciated.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tamryn Johnson".

**Tamryn Johnson**

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