

**REFERENCE:** 16/3/1/1/B4/45/1081/14 **ENQUIRIES:** Ms. Arabel McClelland

DATE:

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Dear Sir

## RE: PROPOSED DECOMMISSIONING AND REHABILITATION OF THE STELLENBOSCH LANDFILL SITE IN STELLENBOSCH, WESTERN CAPE

- The draft Basic Assessment Report ("BAR") dated 6 November 2014, as received by this Department on 5 November 2014, the Department's correspondence dated 23 December 2014 and 29 April 2015, the correspondence dated 18 May 2015, received by the Department on 19 May 2015, the Department's correspondence dated 22 May 2015 and 14 October 2015, and the electronic correspondence received on 4 November 2015, refer.
- 2. This letter serves to inform you that the motivation to continue the abovementioned application has been accepted and the Department hereby awaits the submission of the final BAR by 18 May 2016.
- 3. Should the BAR not be received within the agreed timeframe, your application will lapse and your file will be closed for administrative purposes. As such, a new application process will have to be initiated with a new application in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations 2014 as defined in Government Notice No. R. 982 of 4 December 2014.
- 4. Please be reminded that the Department will apply Regulation 67 as defined in Government Notice No. R. 543 of 18 June 2010, if the timeframes are not met.
- 5. If for some reason you will not be able to submit the BAR, you must timeously inform the Department as such before 18 May 2016. You will be required to submit a concise

concise motivation why the BAR will not be submitted within the stated period. The motivation must include the tasks that have been performed to date, the reasons for the delay in submission and an indication when the information will be submitted to the Department. The Department will consider your motivation and inform you of its decision whether or not to continue with the processing of the current application.

- 6. Please note that the activity may not commence prior to an Environmental Authorisation being granted by the Department. It is an offence in terms of Section 49A of the NEMA for a person to commence with a listed activity unless the Department has granted an environmental authorisation for the undertaking of the activity. Failure to comply with the requirements of Section 24F and 49A of the NEMA will result in the matter being referred to the Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Directorate of this Department for prosecution. 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.
- 7. The Department reserves the right to revise or withdraw comments or request further information based on any information received.

Yours faithfully

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