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Dear Ms Jones

APPLICATION FOR AUTHORISATION: PROPOSED ALTERATIONS TO BERTHS 601, 602, 603 AND 604 AND ASSOCIATED DEEPENING OF THE BEN SCHOEMAN DOCK AT THE PORT OF CAPE TOWN

The Plan of Study for the Environmental Impact Assessment for the proposed alterations to berths 601-604 and associated deepening of the Ben Schoeman dock at the Port of Cape Town dated August 2006 refers.

This department has, in conjunction with the Western Cape Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, evaluated the plan of study for the environmental impact assessment and is satisfied that it adheres to the requirements as stipulated in GN No. R. 1183 section 5(2).

By virtue of the power delegated to me in terms of section 33(1) of the Environment Conservation Act, 73 of 1989 I hereby, in terms of section 5(1) (a) of GN No. R. 1183 accept the plan of study for the environmental impact assessment, for the proposed alterations to berths 601-604 and associated deepening of the Ben Schoeman dock at the Port of Cape Town dated August 2006, subject to the following amendments and inclusions

- The ecological implications of the disposed dredged spoil entering the Milnerton lagoon, Salt River mouth and Rietvlei must be considered in the EIA process.
- IAPs must be afforded reasonable time to make representation and review reports. A period of at least 30 days must be allowed for the IAPs to review reports and make representations and a minimum 14 days notice is required for public meetings.

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- The proposed detailed modelling of the disposal of dredged spoil material must consider the fate of sediments in the marine environment, the frequency and extent of turbidity plumes that will be experienced during dredge disposal and subsequent re-suspension events.
- The effects of beach erosion on coastal communities and tourism, adequacy of beach nourishment proposals to counter beach erosion as well as source material for beach nourishment. The correct model for predicting possible beach erosion must be used.
- You are also referred to CSIR (1991). The situation of waste management and pollution control in South Africa. Report to the Department of environment Affairs by the CSIR Programme for the Environment, Pretoria. Report CPE 1/91. 417pp.

You are advised to continue with the EIA in accordance with the approved plan of study for EIA. The departments also suggest that a Draft Environmental Management Plan be compiled and submitted for consideration together with the Environmental Impact Report.

Yours sincerely



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