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Dear Previously Registered Interested and Affected Party (I&AP), State Department and/or Organ of State

BY Email

RE: NOTIFICATION ON THE AVAILABILITY OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION (EA) THAT IS IN PLACE FOR THE RESORT DEVELOPMENT ON THE REMAINDER OF FARM 432, PLETTENBERG BAY (CAIRNBROGIE)

DEADP reference number for the amendment process	16.3.3.5.D1.8.0020.24
Environmental Authorisation (EA) details	EIA REFERENCE NUMBER: 16/3/3/1/D1/8/0007/19 NEAS REFERENCE: WCP/EIA/0000610/2019 ENQUIRIES: Mr Steve Kleinhans DATE OF ISSUE: 03 MAR 2020

Hilland Environmental, independent Environmental Assessment Practitioners (EAPs), have been appointed by the Holder, **Cairnbrogie Farms (Pty) Ltd**, to ensure compliance with the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA, No 107 of 1998, as amended) and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 (as amended) for the proposed amendment of the Environmental Authorisation (EA) that is in place for the resort development on Cairnbrogie.

An EA was issued in 2020 for the construction of Cairnbrogie Resort on the Remainder of Farm 432.

Following the implications of the COVID-19 pandemic, financial constraints and various unforeseen delays resulted in the holder being unable to complete the construction process for the resort and has necessitated the application for an extension of time to complete the development.

Condition 1, Scope and Validity Period of authorization, of the EA reads as follows:

1. This Environmental Authorisation is granted for the period from date of issue until **31 March 2025**, the date on which all the listed activities, including post construction rehabilitation and monitoring requirements, will be deemed to be concluded at the site.

Further to the above, the Environmental Authorisation is subject to the following:

1.1. The Holder must start with the physical implementation of all the authorised listed activities on the site by 31 March 2023.

1.2. The post construction rehabilitation and monitoring requirements must be finalised at the site within a period of 3-months from the date the construction activities (construction phase) are concluded; but by no later than 15 December 2024.

Note: Failure to complete the post construction rehabilitation and monitoring requirements at least three months prior to expiry of the validity period of an environmental authorisation may result in the Holder not being able to comply with the environmental auditing requirements in time.

Failing which, this Environmental Authorisation shall lapse, unless the environmental authorisation is amended in accordance with the relevant process contemplated in the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations promulgated under the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act no. 107 of 1998).

Activities commenced on site in compliance with the EA before 31 March 2023, however the Holder is unable to complete the development and the post construction rehabilitation requirements by the 31st March 2025.

To avoid the lapsing of the EA, a Part 2 amendment application has been submitted to the Competent Authority, DEADP, on the 3rd December 2024.

The proposal is to extend the conclusion date and validity period by another five (5) years. The new dates to be specified in the Addendum to the EA, should the application be approved, are as follows:

- **The EA is valid until 31 March 2030.**
- **The post construction rehabilitation and monitoring requirements to be concluded by no later than: 15 December 2029**

All the other information contained in the original process and Final Basic Assessment Report (BAR) and subsequent EA remain valid and unchanged.

No new listed activities in terms of the NEMA EIA Regulations (2014, as amended) (not previously assessed and approved in the original EA) will be triggered by the request to extend the conclusion date for the development. All the listed activities applied for and approved in the current EA remain valid and unchanged.

In terms of Regulations 3(4) & 40 of the NEMA EIA Regulations (2014, as amended) to notify you of the availability of the Amendment Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and associated appendices for its 30-day commenting period **(7 February 2025 -10 March 2025)**.

In terms of public participation Regulations of the NEMA, you are hereby advised that you have 30 days from **7 February 2025** to submit any comments on the EIR.

Please provide us with your comments / concerns relating to the proposal during the aforementioned timeframes in written format via email. Please note that your comments on the above matter will form part of the public record in terms of **POPIA**.

The report and associated appendices are already available on Hilland Environmental's website at: <https://hilland.co.za/public-processes/cairbrogie-amendment>

Please note if you do not have access to e-mail, internet and / or are experiencing any problems with downloading information, please do not hesitate to contact this office and we will assist you according to your needs/requirements.

If you require any further information or assistance, please contact us on (044) 889 0229 (Tel) / admin@hilland.co.za (email).

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Delport". The letter "D" is large and stylized, with a loop at the top. The rest of the name is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Inge Delport
For HillLand Environmental