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WCMD Ref. No.: 12/3/1/11 (Licence No: WCWD013)

Dear Stakeholder

Application for Renewal of an Atmospheric Emission Licence, Transnet Iron Ore Terminal, Port of Saldanha

Transnet Port Terminals (TPT) operate the Iron Ore Terminal (IOT) at the Port of Saldanha in the Western Cape. The facility receives and stockpiles iron ore for export from mines in the Northern Cape. TPT were issued an Atmospheric Emission Licence (AEL) in terms of Section 40 of the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act 39 of 2004 (NEM:AQA) on 5 February 2016 (with an expiry date of 5 February 2021). A new AEL was issued by the West Coast District Municipality (WCMD), dated 20 January 2020, following the receipt of an AEL Variation Application, whereby TPT applied to include interim projects and to amend the completion date of those projects which had not yet been completed. The AEL dated 20 January 2020 was valid until on 30 January 2025. However, following an appeal process, the Appeal Authority changed the expiry date of the AEL to 5 September 2021. Subsequently, the WCMD undertook a review of TPTs AEL and issued a new AEL (Licence No: WCWD013), dated 18 May 2021, but retaining the 5 September 2021 date of expiry

TPT now wishes to apply to the WCMD for renewal of the current AEL, to extend the validity beyond 5 September 2021. No changes to current operations are proposed.

SRK Consulting (South Africa) (Pty) Ltd (SRK) has been appointed by TPT as the independent environmental assessment practitioner to manage the AEL Renewal Application and undertake the stakeholder engagement process to inform this Application.

The 30-day public comment period commences on **22 July 2021**. The AEL Renewal Application Form and Atmospheric Impact Report¹ are available upon request to Lauren Elston at the contact details provided below.

Stakeholders are invited to submit **comments on the application and/or register** on the project database. Stakeholders must refer to the abovementioned West Coast District Municipality (WCMD) reference number,

¹ Since no changes to the current operations are proposed, the Atmospheric Impact Report dated August 2019, submitted as part of the AEL Variation Application in September 2019, remains valid.

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and must include their name, contact details (specifying the preferred method of notification, e.g. e-mail), and an indication of any direct business, financial, personal, or other interest which they have in the application, to the contact person below, **by 23 August 2021**. Following the public commenting period, the final AEL Application Form and associated documents will be submitted to the WCDM for a decision.

Please submit all comments and requests for registration to Lauren Elston of SRK Consulting at lelston@srk.co.za; Postnet Suite #206, Private Bag X18, Rondebosch, 7701; Fax: (021) 685 7105; Tel: (021) 659 3060.

The Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013 (POPIA), which aims to promote protection of personal information, came into effect on 1 July 2021. By registering as a stakeholder, you consent to SRK processing and, if necessary, disclosing your personal information for the purposes of this and related applications by TPT, which SRK undertakes to do in accordance with our Protection of Personal Information Policy. You are currently registered on TPT's existing stakeholder database. In accordance with POPIA please notify the above contact person should you wish to be removed from the database.

Yours faithfully,

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