

NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION:

12/12/20/936: RAISING OF THE HAZELMERE DAM

Dear Interested and Affected Party

This serves as notification that the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) issued an Environmental Authorisation on 4 November 2009 to the Department of Water Affairs (DWA) for the **Raising of the Hazelmere Dam**. The aforementioned authorisation is issued in terms Section 22 of the Environmental Conservation Act, 1989 (Act No. 73 of 1989), following the undertaking of an Environmental Impact Assessment process complying with the requirements of Governmental Notice Number R1183 of 5 September 1997, for the following listed activities:

- 1 The construction, erection or upgrading of-
 - c. with regard to any substance which is dangerous or hazardous and is controlled by national legislation-
 - (ii) ..., storage, handling, ... facilities for any such substance;
 - d. roads, ...;
 - j. dams, levees and weirs affecting the flow of a river;
 - k. reservoirs for public water supply;
- 2 The change of land use from-
 - c. agricultural or zoned undetermined use or any equivalent zoning to any other land use;
 - e. use for nature conservation or zoned open space to any other land use
- 10 The cultivation or any other use of virgin ground;

The authorisation grants environmental clearance for the activity to proceed with the construction phase of the project and, following this, operation of the facility.

A copy of the Environmental Authorisation, which contains the DEA's justification for the decision, as well as the conditions imposed by the authorisation, can be obtained from the website www.hazelmereia.co.za as a downloadable PDF file. Follow the "Record of Decision" link. Alternatively the Environmental Authorisation is available, upon request, from the Environmental Assessment Practitioner for the project, whose details appear below.

Date of Authorisation: 4 November 2009

Parties wishing to formally appeal this authorisation must, in accordance with Clause 3.3.3 of the Record of Decision, lodge an appeal with the Minister within thirty (30) days of the date of the authorisation (by the close of business on 4 December 2009). Appeals should be lodged using the prescribed Appeal Form and Questionnaire. Copies of this document, and further details regarding the procedures for the appeal, can be obtained from:

- Mr PKM Retief, Appeals Administrator, Tel: 012 310 3705, pretief@deat.gov.za ; or
- Mr H Grovè, Appeals Administrator, Tel: 012 310 3070, hgrove@deat.gov.za, at the DEA.

All appeals should include the date on which the ROD was issued to the Applicant in terms of regulation 10(1) and the date by which appeals must reach the Minister.

Appeals can be submitted by any of the following means:

By Facsimile: 012 320 7561;

By Post: Private Bag X 447, Pretoria, 0001; or

By Hand: 2nd Floor, Fedsure Forum Building, North Towner, cnr Van Der Walt and Pretorius Streets, Pretoria.

This notification is issued by the Environmental Assessment Practitioner for the project:

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