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**R5 RAND WATER - AMENDMENT OF THE R5 PIPELINE PHASE TWO ENVIRONMENTAL  
AUTHORIZATION FOR PIPELINE ROUTE RE-ALIGNMENT OF APPROXIMATELY  
2KM AT WOODHILL GOLF ESTATE IN TSHWANE METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY**

**Minutes of meeting Professionals held on Microsoft Teams, on 8 October 2020 from 10:00 – 11:00am**

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**Present:**

Thulisile Nyalunga (TN), Department of Eenvironment, Forestry and Fisheries

Fiona Grimett (FG), Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries

Sindiswa Dlomo (SD), Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries

Thokozani Masilela (TM), Randwater

Virosha Singh (VS), Randwater

Takalani Muavha (TM), Taktho Environmental Strategy

Wenny Lekaba (WL), Taktho Environmental Strategy

**Apologies**

Ephron Maradwa (EM), Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries

Gail Andrews (GA), Randwater

Nomkhosi Mohlahlo (NM), Randwater

Mmule Raditsela (MR), Randwater

**AGENDA**

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1. Opening
2. Attendance Register
3. Status of current Environmental Authorisations
4. Amendment of Environmental Authorisations

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5. Competent Authorities clarity (I&AP request why DEFF whereas RoD was issued by

GDARD)

6. Amendment of Environmental Authorisations Versus New application for Basic Assessment

7. Application Process

8. Public Participation Process – Objections Received from Woodhill Estate

9. Questions and answers

10. Other matters

11. Conclusion and Way Forward

## MINUTES

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<b>1</b>	<b>Welcome and Opening</b>
1.1	TM welcomed all participants to the meeting.
<b>2</b>	<b>Attendance Register</b>
2.1	Attendance Register was marked and apologies made for those who could not attend.
<b>3</b>	<b>Status of the current Environmental Authorisations</b>
3.1	The current R5 pipeline environmental authorisation was approved. It was agreed that the application of a new amendment is not needed.
<b>4</b>	<b>Amendment of Environmental Authorisations</b>
4.1	It was agreed that there is no need for new basic assessment application. Randwater with the assistance of the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) can proceed through with the amendment application.
<b>5</b>	<b>Competent Authorities clarity (I&amp;AP request why DEFF whereas RoD was issued by GDARD)</b>

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5.1	<p>The EAP was referred to National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998). Chapter 5: Integrated Environmental Management. When listing or specifying activities in terms of section 24(2) the Minister, or an MEC with the concurrence of the Minister, must identify the competent authority responsible for granting environmental authorisations in respect of those activities</p> <p>(d) is undertaken, or is to be undertaken, by-</p> <p>(ii) a provincial department responsible for environmental affairs or any other organ of state performing a regulatory function and reporting to the MEC.</p>	
<b>6</b>	<b>Amendment of Environmental Authorisations Versus New application for Basic Assessment</b>	
6.1	<p>Sindiswa Dlomo explained that, it would not make sense for a new application of Basic Assessment, as It will require another Environmental Authorisation and Environmental Management Plan, which means that the project will have two (2) Authorisation. It was agreed that no new application for basic assessment was necessary and Construction has already started and nearing completion on some part of the project.</p>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Application Process</b>	
7.1	<p>It was indicated that the amendment process will be followed and the project documentation has to be concluded.</p>	
<b>8</b>	<b>Public Participation Process – Objections Received from Woodhill Estate</b>	
8.1	<p>The Environmental Consultant will have to apply for public participation process (PPP) plan approval before making an application. The consultant will have to submit the draft PP with amendments to the department.</p> <p>A 30-day PPP is still a requirement. The PPP can only commence after being approved.</p> <p>Another public participation is a requirement according to regulations, if the public participation is a year old. The environmental consultant already conducted the PPP a year ago and already has objectives from Woodhill Estate. It was agreed that the same public participation would be followed. The same advert will be used and the COVID 19 measures will be included. The new issues and past issues in the PP will have to be separated in order to show that a PPP was already done before.</p>	
<b>9</b>	<b>Questions and answers</b>	

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9.1	<p>Randwater Project Manager- Virosha Singh wanted to know the timelines of the project and when the amendment issues will be resolved in order for the project to be faster.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The timelines will only be known after the environmental consultant submits the final report of the PPP and approved by the Department.</li> </ul>	
<b>10</b>	<b>Other matters</b>	
10.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Send the Draft Public Participation Plan as soon as possible.</li> <li>Application form will have to be send with a copy of minutes.</li> </ul>	
<b>11</b>	<b>Conclusion and Way Forward</b>	
11.1	The EAP must send the draft of Public Participation Plan before the end of the day in order to get it approved the following day. This will allow the PPP to start as early as next week.	

Minutes accepted and signed by representatives of the participants as a correct record of the proceedings.

Name	Surname	Date	Signature
Takalani	Muavha	10 October 2020	