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# MARINE LIVING RESOURCES ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 18 OF 1998): AMENDMENT OF REGULATIONS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF WHITE SHARK CAGE DIVING

I, Buyelwa Patience Sonjica, the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs, under subsections (1)(b), 2(g) and 2(y) of section 77 of the Marine Living Resources Act, 1998 (Act No. 18 of 1998), hereby amend the regulations published under Government Notice No. R. 724 of 4 July 2008 as set out in the Schedule.

BUYELWA SONJICA

MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

#### **SCHEDULE**

#### **Definitions**

1. In this schedule "the Regulations" means the regulations published under Government Notice No. R. 724 of 4 July 2008.

# Amendment of Regulation 4 of Regulations

2. Regulation 4 of the regulations is hereby amended by the insertion in sub-regulation (2) after the words "The current areas" of the following words: "and number of permits per area".

# Substitution of Annexure 1 of Regulations

3. The following Annexure is hereby substituted for Annexure 1 of the Regulations:

#### "ANNEXURE 1

# AVAILABLE PERMITS AND AREAS OF OPERATION

- 1. The attraction of white sharks for the purposes of cage diving and surface viewing shall be limited and will only be allowed in the following areas:
  - Seal Island, False Bay (3 commercial permits);
  - Dyer Island, Gansbaai (8 commercial permits);
  - Quoin Rock, Quoin Point (2 commercial permits);
  - Seal Island, Mossel Bay (1 commercial permit); and
  - Algoa Bay, Port Elizabeth area (2 commercial permits).
- Permit holders in the Seal Island, Mossel Bay and Quoin Point areas will not be allowed to operate from 1 December until 20 January of the next year due to school holidays."