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DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 107 OF 1998)

WITHDRAWAL OF AMENDMENT TO REGULATION 39(2) OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS, 2014, AS AMENDED, IN GOVERNMENT NOTICE NO. 517 PUBLISHED IN GOVERNMENT GAZETTE NO. 44701 OF 11 JUNE 2021

I, Barbara Dallas Creecy, Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, hereby withdraw, with retrospective effect from 11 June 2021, paragraph 17 of Government Notice No. 517 published in Government *Gazette* No. 44701 of 11 June 2021, which amended regulation 39(2) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended; and reinstate regulation 39(2) as it was immediately prior to 11 June 2021.

The reason for the withdrawal is due to the fact that the procedural requirements of public participation in terms of sections 44 and 47 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) were not adequately complied with.

BARBARA DALLAS CREECY

MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT