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DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT: WASTE ACT, 2008 (ACT NO. 59 OF 2008)

NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF REPORTING PERIOD BY IDENTIFIED PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY ORGANISATIONS AND PRODUCERS TO THE EXTENDED PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY ONLINE SYSTEM UNTIL 31 AUGUST 2022

I, Barbara Dallas Creecy, Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, published the Extended Producer Responsibility Regulations, 2020 and Notices regarding the establishment and implementation of extended producer responsibility schemes for the electrical and electronic equipment sector, the lighting sector, and the paper, packaging and some single-use products on 5 November 2020 under Notice No 1184 Government *Gazette* No 43879 in terms of the National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 2008 (Act No. 59 of 2008).

The implementation of the EPR schemes was deferred for a period of 6 months to 5 May 2021 in order to enable the affected sectors some time to prepare for implementation. From 5 May to 5 November 2021, the registration of the producers and producer responsibility organisations took place.

Regulation 8 of the Extended Producer Regulations, 2020 (as amended) requires Producer Responsibility Organisations and Producers that implement their own Extended Producer Responsibility schemes to submit their interim performance reports on or before 31 July 2022.

The online system experienced technical challenges and delays which have since been resolved. The online report system went live on Wednesday, 20 July 2022. The reporting period in terms of regulation 8 of the Extended Producer Regulations, 2020 (as amended) is hereby extended until 31 August 2022.

The EPR online reports can be uploaded on http://sawic.environment.gov.za/EPR.

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