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Dear «Title» «Surname»

**RE: NOTICE OF BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS - CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF A POULTRY BROILER HOUSING FACILITY, DISCO CHICKS FARM 2, ON FARM 713, SUNDAYS RIVER VALLEY MUNICIPALITY**

In terms of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2010: GN R543 and 546 promulgated under Chapter 5 of the National Environmental Management Act (as amended), you have been identified as an interested and/or affected party (I&AP) for the above project. This serves as notification that a Basic Assessment process is being conducted on behalf of the Venter Wildlife Trust (the project applicant) for the construction and operation of a poultry broiler housing facility on Farm 713 (~555ha) in the Sundays River Valley Municipality. The facility will consist of 12 broiler houses, for the rearing of chicks from 1 day to approximately 42 days and associated infrastructure. Each broiler house will contain 45 000 to 50 000 birds at any one time, totaling 480 000 to 600 000 birds for the site.

The need for a Basic Assessment is triggered by the inclusion of, but not limited to, the following activity listed activity in GN R 544:

***“5. The construction of facilities or infrastructure for the concentration of:  
(ii) more than 5 000 poultry per facility situated outside an urban area, excluding chicks younger than 20 days”***

Other listed activities triggered by the project, and which require authorisation from the Department of Economic Development, Environmental Affairs and Tourism, are included in the attached Background Information Document.

Public Process Consultants has been appointed by the applicant as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioners (EAP) to undertake the Basic Assessment including Public Participation for the project. In order to be placed on the project database and receive further information on the project, you are required to register your interest in writing. Kindly notify us of your request to register, and state your area of interest / concern in this matter, within 31 days of receipt of this notification, by **30 May 2013**. Additional issues and concerns may be raised once the Draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR) is released for public review, anticipated by the beginning of June 2013.

To assist you in the submission of issues and concerns we have included with this correspondence a Background Information Document, Locality Map and a Comment Form. Project information can be accessed through the website [www.publicprocess.co.za](http://www.publicprocess.co.za)

Should you have any queries or require additional information please contact Sandy Wren, Marisa Jacoby or Wandile Junundu using the contact details provided above.

Yours sincerely



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