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Dear Interested and Affected Party / Organ of State

RE: NOTICE OF AMENDMENT APPLICATION PROCESS: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF A POULTRY BREEDER FACILITY, INCLUDING ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE, ON A PORTION OF PORTIONS 6, 10 AND 40 OF FARM T'ZOETGENEUGD 192, SUNDAYS RIVER VALLEY MUNICIPALITY (DEDEAT REFERENCE: EC06/C/LN1&3/M/19-2019).

In terms of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), published in GN R326, 327, 325 and 324, promulgated under Chapter Five of the National Environmental Management Act (as amended), you have been identified as an interested and/ or affected party (I&AP) for the above Amendment Application. The project applicant, Die Boeram Venter Trust, is undertaking an Amendment Application Process to amend an existing Environmental Authorisation on portions of Portion 6, 10 and 40 of Farm T'Zoetgeneugd No. 192, known as Middledrift, near Addo in the Sundays River Valley Municipality. The project applicant is proposing to change the use of the 6 breeder houses authorised, but not yet constructed, for the production of broilers. In addition, it is proposed that 6 broiler houses including associated infrastructure are constructed, adjacent to and southwest (not southeast as indicated in the newspaper advertisement) of the existing authorised footprint, to provide a total of 12 broiler houses in three separately fenced in areas.

The proposed amendment is deemed substantive in terms of Regulation 31 of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) and the change in project scope, requires that a Part 2 Amendment Application is undertaken. This requires that an Amendment Report (AR) be prepared to describe the advantages and disadvantages of the proposed change, assess the impacts thereof, both positive and negative and provide mitigation to enhance potential positive impacts and mitigation to manage or avoid potential negative impacts. The AR must be subjected to a Public Participation Process in order to bring the proposed change to the attention of potential and registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs), Organs of State as well as the Competent Authority (DEDEAT) and provide them with the opportunity to raise issues of concern for inclusion in the Amendment Report and/ or consideration by specialists, if required.

Sandy Wren of Public Process Consultants has been appointed as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to manage this Amendment Application Process.

You have been identified as an interested and/or affected party (I&AP) for the above project and have been included on the project I&AP database. In order to ensure that any issues and/ or concerns you may have, are included in the Draft Amendment Report and/ or consideration by specialists, if required, you are requested to submit your comments to the EAP indicated above, during the 30-day comment period, which extends from the **15 September 2023 to 16 October 2023**.

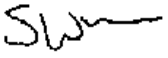
Availability of Information

To assist you with the submission of any comments you may have, please find attached to this correspondence, a **Background Information Document**, a **Comment Form** and a **Locality Map**. Information can also be accessed via the following link: <https://publicprocess.co.za/2023/09/13/middledrift-broiler-amendment/>.

Please refer to the accompanying BID for an explanation of how compliance with the requirements of the Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013 (POPIA) is being ensured. If at any stage your contact details change it is essential that you notify the EAP of such changes to continue receiving information regarding this assessment process.

We look forward to your input and participation in this process. Should you have any comments or queries regarding the above please do not hesitate to contact Sandy Wren or Geena Pringle using the contact details provided above.

Yours sincerely



**SANDY WREN
EIA PROJECT LEADER**