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APPENDIX B – COMMENT FROM DEDEAP

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The Director

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Attention: Ms. Janet Ebersohn Cell: 082 557 71222

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Dear Madam

PROPOSED UPGRADE OF THE BAYDUNES SEWER PUMP STATION, MOSSEL BAY

1. This above-mentioned proposal received by the Directorate: Development Management (hereinafter referred to as "this Directorate") on 19 May 2023 refers.

2. This letter serves as acknowledgment of receipt of the above-mentioned information by this Directorate.

3. It is understood from the information provided that the proposal entails the upgrading of the existing pump station at Baydunes by establishing a new pump station and using the existing pumpstation as a sump. According to the information provided, as well as the information displayed on Cape Farm Mapper, there is no indigenous vegetation that will be affected by the proposed upgrade.

4. The undertaking of the proposed upgrade will however result in the movement of more than 5 cubes of sand within 100m of the highwater mark of the sea and therefore triggers the following listed activity identified in terms of Listing Notice 1, being:

Activity Number: 19A

Activity Description:

The infilling or depositing of any material of more than 5 cubic metres into, or the dredging, excavation, removal or moving of soil, sand, shells, shell grit, pebbles or rock of more than 5 cubic metres from—

(i) the seashore;

(ii) the littoral active zone, an estuary or a distance of 100 metres inland of the high-water mark of the sea or an estuary, whichever distance is the greater; or

(iii) the sea; —

but excluding where such infilling, depositing, dredging, excavation, removal or moving—

(a) will occur behind a development setback;

(b) is for maintenance purposes undertaken in accordance with a maintenance management plan;

(c) falls within the ambit of activity 21 in this Notice, in which case that activity applies;

(d) occurs within existing ports or harbours that will not increase the development footprint of the port

or harbour; or

(e) where such development is related to the development of a port or harbour, in which case activity

26 in Listing Notice 2 of 2014 applies.

5. Written authorisation is therefore required from the relevant authority (as defined in GN No R.982 of 4

December 2014), prior to the undertaking of the said activity.

6. Notwithstanding the above, the afore-mentioned activity makes provision for the adoption of a

Maintenance Management Plan (MMP) in terms of the Environmental Impact Regulations, 2014 (as

amended).

7. In addition to the content of letter, please note that the proponent must also comply with any other

statutory requirements that may be applicable to the undertaking of the activity.

This Department reserves the right to revise its initial comments and request further information from you 8.

based on any new or revised information received.

Yours faithfully

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