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Mr BE Hlatshwayo
Stand no. 39
Dirkiesdorp
2386

RE: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTEGRATED HUMAN SETTLEMENT (HOUSING DEVELOPMENT) IN DIRKIESDORP, MKHONDO LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE (DARDLEA REFERENCE: 1/3/1/16/1 G- 104 ;NEAS: MPP/EIA/0000506/2018)

Dear Mr Bhen Hlatshwayo

Your comments on the Draft Environmental Scoping Impact Assessment (DSR) dated **Wednesday, 14 November 2018** bears reference. In response to the comments you forwarded to our office on the DSR. We would like to take this opportunity of acknowledge receipt of your written comments and to provide the responses to your comments.

Your comments have been answered below

- The Municipality generates revenue through rates and taxes collected. The Municipality also receives grants or funding from various stakeholders to ensure effective service delivery. The MIG aims to eradicate municipal infrastructure backlogs in poor communities to ensure the provision of basic services such as water, sanitation, roads and community lighting. **Mkhondo Municipality**
- To eliminate the disparities and disadvantages that are a consequence of the policies of the past and to ensure, as rapidly as possible, the upgrading of services in the previously disadvantaged areas so that equal services will be provided to all residents. **Mkhondo Municipality**
- The answers regarding all comments raised during the public participation process are included in the Comment and Response Report attached as Appendix F of the Final Scoping Report (FSR).

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The FSR will be submitted to DARDLEA for decision making and will also be available on the Lidwala website (www.lidwala.com)

Should you have comments on the FSR, kindly forward all your comments through to the Mpumalanga Department of Agriculture, rural development, land and Environmental Affairs (DARDLEA) for the attention of Ms Sindisiwe Mbuyane. Please see all her contact details below.

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Please include the application reference numbers in all correspondence (**DARDLEA REFERENCE: 1/3/1/16/1 G- 104; NEAS: MPP/EIA/0000506/2018**)

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any additional information

Yours faithfully for

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