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Mrs FB Dhladhla
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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 Mrs. Fikile Dhladhla

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.

- The environmental impact assessment process is legislated with stipulated timelines which are adhered too. The process may only be speed up in case on emergencies. Lidwala will try to reduce the time from their side by submitting documents before the stipulated timeframes. (**Lidwala SA**).
- Environmental conservation does not favour putting animals in a zoo, rather a nature reserve. All the other comments are noted and will be included in the CRR. **Lidwala SA**
- 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). The FSR will be submitted to DARDLEA for decision making and will also be available on the Lidwala website (www.lidwala.com)

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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

LIDWALA CONSULTING ENGINEERS



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