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Dear Sir

DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR PROPOSED MARINE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM (ACE CABLE SYSTEM) TO BE LANDED AT VAN RIEBEECKSTRAND ON THE WEST COAST OF SOUTH AFRICA


Reference is made to the above-mentioned document dated 07 November 2016.

This Department has perused the abovementioned documents and has noted that the proposed activities trigger a water use in terms of section 21 (c) impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse and section 21 (i) altering the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998). This is due to the proposed landing alternatives for the ACE cable system crossing a wetland area.

Please advise your client to apply for a Water Use Authorisation from this Department prior to commencing with any of the activities. As per Government Gazette No. 40229 in Government Notice 509 dated 28 August 2016, a Risk Matrix must be submitted as part of the Water Use Authorisation application.

Please do not hesitate to contact the above official should there be any queries.

Yours faithfully


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