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**The Environmental Commissioner  
Ministry of Environment, Tourism and Forestry  
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15 July 2020

Dear Mr. Timoteus Mufeti

**APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE FOR  
THE KATIMA MULILO BEEF EXPORT ABATTOIR**

The above subject matter has reference.

The Meat Board of Namibia (MBN) has been requested by the Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform on 16 October 2019 (Letter attached) to, as a matter of urgency complete the recommissioning of the Katima Mulilo Beef Export Abattoir. The producers in the Zambezi Region for the past five years did not had a formal market for their cattle which is aggravated by the frequent prevalence of Foot and Mouth Disease due to free roaming buffalo, drought and the withdrawal of the Meat Corporation of Namibia.

The abattoir successfully completed trail slaughter and DVS audits and intends to start slaughtering as soon as possible. However, the Environmental Clearance is still in process with the Office of the Environmental Commissioner.

The MBN would like to confirm that this is of national interest and the speedy issuance of the Environmental Clearance Certificate is of utmost importance in order to re-commission the Katima Mulilo Abattoir to assist the producers with a much needed income stream.

The Commissioner is hereby requested to soonest attend to the evaluation and approval of the Environmental Clearance application and report for the certificate to be issued.

Yours sincerely

**Paul J Strydom  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**



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16th October 2019

The Executive Director  
Ministry of Agriculture, Water, and Forestry  
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Dear Sir,

**SUBJECT: BID NO. (W/NOB/DVS/20-01/2017/2018) - REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF MEAT BOARD TO FACILITATE WITH COMPLETION OF THE REMAINING RENOVATION, CIVIL, MECHANICAL, ELECTRICAL WORKS AND RECOMMISSIONING OF THE ABATTOIR AT KATIMA MULILO IN THE ZAMBEZI REGION**

**1. Introduction and background**

- 1.1 The contract (W/NOB/DVS/20-01/2017/2018) for renovation, civil, mechanical and electrical works and recommissioning of the existing abattoir at Katima Mulilo in Zambezi Region was awarded to Shatotwa Life Investment CC for an amount inclusive VAT of **N\$ 4,125,198.00** in August 2018. However, due to slow and poor performance, and the service of Shatotwa Life Investment cc was terminated by the Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Forestry (MAWF) on 24 May 2019, as per recommendations of technical consultant's (Ministry of Work & Transport). An amount of N\$ 1,748,204.54 is paid out to contractor for work completed after penalties were applied.
- 1.2 The technical consultant recommended that **Alpha Construction** and **Punchu Trading JV** be appointed for the completion of the remaining works including some variations that were identified during renovation work. Subsequently, the recommended contractor (Alpha Construction and Punchu Trading JV) was requested to provide a quotation for completing the remaining work, excluding the renovation of the refrigeration system and replacement of two (2) condensers that Meat Board of Namibia offered renovated.

- 1.3 Alpha Construction and Punched Trading JV submitted a quotation with an amount of **NS6,874,610.85** that was revised to **NS4,624,061.42**, the quotation is not including the replacement of two (2) condensers and renovation of the refrigeration system. The revised quotation was deemed excessive and not competitive.
- 1.4 The Ministry engaged the Meat Board of Namibia assistance in order to reduce the cost of completing the remaining renovation work and recommissioning of the abattoir. Meat Board of Namibia arranged a visit to the abattoir on the 23 – 25 September 2019 to start-up and assess the exact work required to complete and recommission the abattoir. Subsequently, the Meat Board of Namibia reported back to Ministry and requested an amount of **NS 2.6 million** with expected completion and recommissioning date of 9 December 2019 and 29 February 2020 respectively.
- 1.5 This submission seeks approval for the Meat Board of Namibia to facilitate the completion of the remaining renovation, civil, mechanical and electrical works and recommissioning of Katima Mulilo Abattoir in the Zambezi Region.

## **2. The objective**

- 2.1 The objective is to reduce the cost and time of recommissioning the Katima Mulilo Abattoir by grant approval for the Meat Board of Namibia to facilitate the completion of remaining renovation, civil, mechanical and electrical works and recommissioning.

## **3. Financial Implications**

- 3.1. Meat Board of Namibia requires an amount of **NS2.6 million** in order to facilitate the completion of the remaining renovation, civil, mechanical and electrical works and recommissioning of Katima Mulilo Abattoir in the Zambezi Region.
- 3.2. The amount required by the Meat Board of Namibia is **NS 2 Million** less than the revised quotation from Alpha Construction and Punched Trading JV. The quotation from Alpha Construction and Punched Trading is not including the replacement and renovation of the refrigeration system.

4. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the approval be granted for the Meat Board of Namibia to facilitate the completion of remaining renovation, civil, mechanical and electrical works and recommissioning of Katima Mulilo Abattoir in the Zambezi Region. An amount of NS 2,600,000.00 (Including VAT). **Two Million, Six Hundred Thousand Namibian Dollars** is required and to be transferred to Meat Board. The amount is available under **Beef Value Chain Development in The Northern Central Areas (Vote: 04 2003 107 0000 018743 200335 00)**.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr. Redemptus S. Tshikesho  
ASSISTANT ENGINEER – DAE (PROJECT MANAGER)

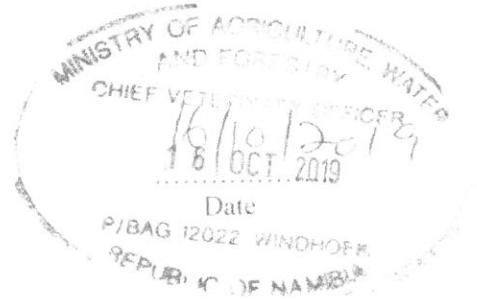
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Dr. Jessey Kamwi  
DEPUTY CHIEF VETERINARY OFFICER

16/10/2019  
Date

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Dr. Albertina Shilongo  
ACTING CHIEF VETERINARY OFFICER



COMMENTS BY THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR

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FINANCIAL ADVISOR

17/10/19  
Date

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Mrs. Sophia Kasheeta  
DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: DAD

17/10/2019  
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Mr. Percy W. Misika  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

