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Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (MEFT)  
Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA)  
Private Bag 13346  
Windhoek  
Namibia

**Attention: Dr. Carol Garus-Oas**

**Subject: Environmental Impact Assessment for Union Marine Properties' Proposed Chemical Storage in the United Fishing Enterprise Warehouse, Located within the Industrial Area of Walvis Bay**

Dear Dr. Garus-Oas

This letter serves to inform the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (MEFT), that I.N.K Enviro Consultants cc (I.N.K), an independent firm of environmental consultants, was appointed by Union Marine Properties (Pty) Ltd to undertake the Environmental Impact Assessment Process for the above subject.

The EIA reports for the proposed project have been submitted to the NamPort and the Walvis Bay Municipality. The Namport consent (please see attached) was sent to I.N.K Enviro Consultants cc via email on 14 July 2022 by Mr. Stefanus Gariseb (NamPort SHEQ Manager). However, I.N.K is still waiting for the consent from the Walvis Bay Municipality. This will be sent to MEFT as soon as it has been received by I.N.K,

I hope the above is in order. Please let us know if there is any further information that your Department might require to enable you to make a decision regarding the proposed activities.

Yours Sincerely,



Immanuel N. Katali  
Lead Practitioner and Project Manager

**Union Marine's Proposed Chemical Storage in the United Fishing Enterprise**

**Snapshot 1** - Response/Consent from Namport upon consultation and information sharing.

**Snapshot 2** - Response by I.N.K to Namport

**Snapshot 1**

○ Re: UMP's EIA For Chemical Storage. 12:47, Thu, 14 July 2022

From: **S** Stefanus Gariseb (Namport) Details

Good day Mr Katali

Ammonium Nitrate is regarded as a explosive and thus regulated by the explosives act. These products or chemicals are not be stored in any urban area. Based on this requirement, Namport hereby strongly oppose the storage of Ammonium Nitrate in proximity to the port, as it can have detrimental impact on port operations should something go wrong.


Please refer to the Beirut Explosion to have an understanding of what can happen and go wrong.

I trust that the above is in order.

Kind regards,  
Stefanus

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**Snapshot 2**

○ Re[2]: UMP's EIA For Chemical Storage. 13:07, Thu, 14 July 2022

To: **S** Stefanus Gariseb (Namport) Details

Good day Mr. Gariseb,

Thank you very much for the comment.

That's 100% correct. We have identified this during the investigations done by the risk assessment team for the project and have therefore already agreed with the client that ammonium nitrate has to be removed from the list and will not form part of this study. The BID was however, just not updated to effect the change.

Please let me know should you have any further questions/comments.

Regards

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