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FOR ATTENTION: MR TIMOTEUS MUFETI - ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSIONER (MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTRY AND TOURISM)

RE - SUBMISSION OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE TOURISM-RELATED ACTIVITIES OF THE EXISTING AND OPERATIONAL LODGE DAMARALAND (APP-231115002477)

Dear Mr Mufeti,

Environmental Compliance Consultancy (ECC) has been contracted by Damaraland Lodge CC to apply for an environmental clearance certificate, for the tourism-related activities at existing and operational Lodge Damaraland on portion 14 of Farm Khorixas Townlands No 884 in the Kunene Region, Namibia. (APP - 231115002477)

For this project, ECC proposes to develop a comprehensive environmental management plan (EMP) for the following reason; Lodge Damaraland is situated in the Khorixas townland and is on a portion of land which is only 5.5 hectares in size. Small lodges by nature have limited environmental footprints and low potential for significant adverse impacts on their surroundings. Thus, subjecting them to a full-blown Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) could be excessively resource intensive.

In terms of Section 32 (1) of the Environmental Management Act, (EMA) No. 7 of 2007 ECC hereby submits the environmental management plan (EMP) and appendices (in hardcopy) to you as the competent authority.

The report plus the appendices can also be accessed via our website: https://eccenvironmental.com/download/the-operation-of-the-existing-lodge-damaraland-onportion-14-of-the-farm-khorixas-townlands-no-884-kunene-region-namibia/

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Should you or your office require our assistance with the details in this letter or report, please do not hesitate to contact us; we will gladly assist. We look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,

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