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### OFFICE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSIONER

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Dear Sir/Madam

**SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE FOR THE PROPOSED 3-DIMENSIONAL MARINE SEISMIC SURVEY OPERATIONS IN PETROLEUM EXPLORATION LICENSE (PEL) NO. 83, LÜDERITZ, NAMIBIA**

The Environmental Scoping Report and Environmental Management Plan submitted are sufficient as it made provisions of the environmental management concerning the project's activities. From this perspective regular environmental monitoring and evaluations on environmental performance should be conducted. Targets for improvements should be established and monitored throughout this process.

This Ministry reserves the right to attach further legislative and regulatory conditions during the operational phase of the project. From this perspective, I issue this clearance with the condition that relevant key stakeholders must be properly consulted prior to commencement of the survey, particularly the Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources.

On the basis of the above, this letter serves as an environmental clearance for the survey to commence. However, this clearance letter does not in any way hold the Ministry of Environment and Tourism accountable for misleading information, nor any adverse effects that may arise from this project's activities. Instead, full accountability rests with GALP Energia and their consultants.

This environmental clearance is valid for a period of 3 (three) years, from the date of issue unless withdrawn by this office.

Yours sincerely,

  
Teofilus Nghitila  
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSIONER



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