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**WINDHOEK**

**Attention:** Mr. Mufeti – Environmental Commissioner

Dear Colleague,

**RE: REVIEW OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR AQUACULTURE PROJECT ON PORTION 60 (A PORTION OF PORTION 24) OF THE FARM NO 163 SWAKOPMUND**

The Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources (MFMR) reviewed the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report and Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the construction and operation of an aquaculture and fish farming project for Synergy Farms Namibia (Pty) Ltd, P.O Box 31473, Windhoek, to farm with the three spot Tilapia (*Oreochromis andersonii*) a local species on PTN 60 (a Portion of Portion 24) of the Farm No 163 Swakopmund, Erongo Region which is situated approximately 12km east of Swakopmund.

We are satisfied with EIA and EMP as they identified risks and proposed mitigation measures to address all foreseeable environmental concerns. We do not foresee any adverse impacts toward the environment when management measures are correctly implemented.

The MFMR consents to the proposed development project with emphasis on the following:

1. The aquaculture project will use a closed system (tank-based system) that eliminate the possibility of draining water and its possible contaminants into the environment.
2. The conditions for waste water disposal has been addressed as stated under the Waste Water Permit obtained during construction and should be continued during the operation of the project.
3. The staff members of the relevant competent authorities are allowed on-site visits to inspect the processes of construction and operations of the aquaculture project from time to time and/or as the need arises.

The MFMR welcomes and supports initiatives that are aimed at addressing food insecurity and economic advancement while being environmentally conscious. The MFMR therefore recommends to the Environmental Commissioner to consider granting the Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) for Synergy Farms Namibia (Pty) Ltd, P.O Box 31473, Windhoek for the aforementioned development.

Regards,



MPBe

Ms. Annelly Haiphene

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**