APP-003832

HENTIES BAY FUEL RETAIL FACILITY ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN



Prepared by:



Prepared for:



Project:	HENTIES BAY FUEL RETAIL FACILITY: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN		
Report: Version/Date:	Final April 2022		
Application No:	APP-003832		
Prepared for: (Proponent)	TotalEnergies Marketing Namibia (Pty) Ltd PO Box 4223 Windhoek Namibia.		
Lead Consultant	Geo Pollution Technologies (Pty) Ltd PO Box 11073 FAX.: (+264-61) 257411 Windhoek Namibia		
Main Project Team:	Ecology); (Ph.D. Medical Bioscience) Wikus Coetzer	(Hons) Zoology); (M.Sc. Conservation Sciences); (B.Sc. (Hons) Environmental	
Cite this document as:	Faul A, Coetzer W,. 2022 April; Henties Bay Fuel Retail Facility: Environmental Management Plan		
Copyright	Copyright on this document is reserved. No part of this document may be utilised without the written permission of Geo Pollution Technologies (Pty) Ltd.		
Report Approval	André Faul Conservation Ecologist		

Josef Aipanda acting as Marketing Namibia (Pty) Ltd), hereby confirm the	the Proponent's repres	entative (TotalEnergies contained in this report
s a true reflection of the information which the Pr	oponent provided to Geo	Pollution Technologies.
All material information in the possession of the potential of influencing any decision or the object		
his report and the report is hereby approved.	enting of this docesomen	t to mind represented in
. /		
Signed at WINSTER	on the 2 day of	JUNE 2022.
(Munipa)		
Fotallynergies Marketing Namibia (Pty) Ltd	CY/1977 Business Registr	
orandone de la company de la c	Business Registr	ation/II) Number

TABLE OF CONTENTS

1	INTRODUCTION	1
2	SCOPE	1
3	METHODOLOGY	2
4	FACILITY OPERATIONS AND RELATED ACTIVITIES	
5	ADMINISTRATIVE, LEGAL AND POLICY REQUIREMENTS	
6	ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS	
U		
	6.1 LOCALITY AND SURROUNDING LAND USE	
	6.2 CLIMATE	
	6.3 CORROSIVE ENVIRONMENT	
	6.5 GEOLOGY AND HYDROGEOLOGY	
	6.6 PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY	
	6.7 FAUNA AND FLORA	
	6.8 DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS	
	6,9 CULTURAL, HERITAGE AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASPECTS	
7	ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN	10
-	7.1 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EMP	
	7.1 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EMP	
	7.2.1 Planning	
	7.2.2 Skills, Technology and Development	
	7.2.3 Revenue Generation and Employment	
	7.2.4 Demographic Profile and Community Health	
	7.2.5 Fuel Supply	
	7.2.6 Traffic	
	7.2.7 Health, Safety and Security	
	7.2.8 Fire	
	7.2.9 Air Quality	
	7.2.10 Noise	
	7.2.11 Waste production	
	7.2.12 Ecosystem and Biodiversity Impact	
	7.2.13 Groundwater, Surface Water and Soil Contamination	
	7.2.14 Visual Impact	
	7.2.15 Cumulative Impact	
	7.4 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM	
0		
8	CONCLUSION	
9	REFERENCES	28

LIST OF FIGURES

FIGURE 2-1. PROJECT LOCATION
FIGURE 4-1 SITE LAYOUT
FIGURE 6-1 MONTHLY AVERAGE RAINFALL
FIGURE 6-2 WIND ROSE (METEOBLUE, 2022)
FIGURE 6-3 TWENTY YEAR CORROSION EXPOSURE RESULTS IN SOUTHERN AFRICAN TOWNS
(CALLAGHAN 1991)9
LIST OF TABLES
TABLE 4-1. TANK DETAILS
TABLE 5-1. NAMIBIAN LAW APPLICABLE TO THE FUEL RETAIL FACILITY4
TABLE 5-2. MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS, GUIDELINES AND REGULATIONS
TABLE 5-3. STANDARDS OR CODES OF PRACTISE
Table 5-4. Relevant multilateral environmental agreements for Namibia and the development
Table 6-1 Summary of Climate Data for Henties Bay (Atlas of Namibia)
Table 6-2. Demographic characteristics of Henties Bay, the Erongo Region and Nationally (Namibia Statistics Agency, 2011; Erongo Regional Council, 2022)

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AIDS Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome

DWA Department of Water Affairs

DEA Directorate of Environmental Affairs

EA Environmental Assessment

EIA Environmental Impact Assessment

EMA Environmental Management Act No 7 of 2007

EMP Environmental Management Plan EMS Environmental Management System

GPT Geo Pollution Technologies
HIV Human Immunodeficiency Virus
IAPs Interested and Affected Parties

IUCN International Union for Conservation of Nature

LNAPL Light Non-Aqueous Phase Liquids

m/s Meter per second mbs Meters below surface

MEFT Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism

mm/a Millimetres per annumMSDS Material Safety Data Sheet

NaCl Sodium chloride

NACOMA Namibian Coast Conservation and Management Project

PPE Personal Protective Equipment

ppm Parts per million

SANS South African National Standards

UNFCCC United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

WHO World Health Organization

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Alternatives - A possible course of action, in place of another, that would meet the same purpose and need but which would avoid or minimize negative impacts or enhance project benefits. These can include alternative locations/sites, routes, layouts, processes, designs, schedules and/or inputs. The "no-go" alternative constitutes the 'without project' option and provides a benchmark against which to evaluate changes; development should result in net benefit to society and should avoid undesirable negative impacts.

Assessment - The process of collecting, organising, analysing, interpreting and communicating information relevant to decision making.

Competent Authority - means a body or person empowered under the local authorities act or Environmental Management Act to enforce the rule of law.

Construction - means the building, erection or modification of a facility, structure or infrastructure that is necessary for the undertaking of an activity, including the modification, alteration, upgrading or decommissioning of such facility, structure or infrastructure.

Cumulative Impacts - in relation to an activity, means the impact of an activity that in itself may not be significant but may become significant when added to the existing and potential impacts eventuating from similar or diverse activities or undertakings in the area.

Environment - As defined in the Environmental Assessment Policy and Environmental Management Act - "land, water and air; all organic and inorganic matter and living organisms as well as biological diversity; the interacting natural systems that include components referred to in sub-paragraphs, the human environment insofar as it represents archaeological, aesthetic, cultural, historic, economic, palaeontological or social values".

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) - process of assessment of the effects of a development on the environment.

Environmental Management Plan (EMP) - A working document on environmental and socio-economic mitigation measures, which must be implemented by several responsible parties during all the phases of the proposed project.

Environmental Management System (EMS) - An Environment Management System, or EMS, is a comprehensive approach to managing environmental issues, integrating environment-oriented thinking into every aspect of business management. An EMS ensures environmental considerations are a priority, along with other concerns such as costs, product quality, investments, PR productivity and strategic planning. An EMS generally makes a positive impact on a company's bottom line. It increases efficiency and focuses on customer needs and marketplace conditions, improving both the company's financial and environmental performance. By using an EMS to convert environmental problems into commercial opportunities, companies usually become more competitive.

Evaluation – means the process of ascertaining the relative importance or significance of information, the light of people's values, preference and judgements in order to make a decision.

Hazard - Anything that has the potential to cause damage to life, property and/or the environment. The hazard of a particular material or installation is constant; that is, it would present the same hazard wherever it was present.

Interested and Affected Party (IAP) - any person, group of persons or organisation interested in, or affected by an activity; and any organ of state that may have jurisdiction over any aspect of the activity.

Mitigate - The implementation of practical measures to reduce adverse impacts.

Proponent (Applicant) - Any person who has submitted or intends to submit an application for an authorisation, as legislated by the Environmental Management Act no. 7 of 2007, to undertake an

activity or activities identified as a listed activity or listed activities; or in any other notice published by the Minister or Ministry of Environment & Tourism.

Public - Citizens who have diverse cultural, educational, political and socio-economic characteristics. The public is not a homogeneous and unified group of people with a set of agreed common interests and aims. There is no single public. There are a number of publics, some of whom may emerge at any time during the process depending on their particular concerns and the issues involved.

Scoping Process - process of identifying: issues that will be relevant for consideration of the application; the potential environmental impacts of the proposed activity; and alternatives to the proposed activity that are feasible and reasonable.

Significant Effect/Impact - means an impact that by its magnitude, duration, intensity or probability of occurrence may have a notable effect on one or more aspects of the environment.

Stakeholder Engagement - The process of engagement between stakeholders (the proponent, authorities and IAPs) during the planning, assessment, implementation and/or management of proposals or activities. The level of stakeholder engagement varies depending on the nature of the proposal or activity as well as the level of commitment by stakeholders to the process. Stakeholder engagement can therefore be described by a spectrum or continuum of increasing levels of engagement in the decision-making process. The term is considered to be more appropriate than the term "public participation".

Stakeholders - A sub-group of the public whose interests may be positively or negatively affected by a proposal or activity and/or who are concerned with a proposal or activity and its consequences. The term therefore includes the proponent, authorities (both the lead authority and other authorities) and all interested and affected parties (IAPs). The principle that environmental consultants and stakeholder engagement practitioners should be independent and unbiased excludes these groups from being considered stakeholders.

Sustainable Development - "Development that meets the needs of the current generation without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs and aspirations" – the definition of the World Commission on Environment and Development (1987). "Improving the quality of human life while living within the carrying capacity of supporting ecosystems" – the definition given in a publication called "Caring for the Earth: A Strategy for Sustainable Living" by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), the United Nations Environment Programme and the World Wide Fund for Nature (1991).

1 INTRODUCTION

TotalEnergies Marketing Namibia (Pty) Ltd (the Proponent) requested Geo Pollution Technologies (Pty) Ltd to prepare an environmental management plan (EMP) for an **existing** fuel retail facility on erf 912 in Henties Bay, Erongo Region (Figure 2-1). The facility operates under a fuel retail licence as issued by the Ministry of Mines and Energy. Operations of the facility ensures a reliable supply of fuel for businesses, tourists and residents of the area. The facility is constructed and operated according to South African National Standards (SANS) as prescribed by Namibian legislation.

In order to comply with Namibian legislation, and to adhere to all codes and standards applied in their operations, the Proponent wishes to apply for an environmental clearance certificate (ECC) for the fuel retail facility's operations. In support of the ECC application, the EMP will be submitted to the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism. The EMP provides management options to ensure environmental impacts of the facility are minimised. The environment being defined in the Environmental Assessment Policy and Environmental Management Act as "land, water and air; all organic and inorganic matter and living organisms as well as biological diversity; the interacting natural systems that include components referred to in sub-paragraphs, the human environment insofar as it represents archaeological, aesthetic, cultural, historic, economic, paleontological or social values".

The EMP is a tool used to take pro-active action by addressing potential problems before they occur. This limits potential future corrective measures that may need to be implemented and allows for application of mitigation measures for unavoidable impacts. This document should be used as an on-site reference document during all phases (planning, construction (care and maintenance), operations and decommissioning) of the facility. All monitoring and records kept should be included in a report to ensure compliance with the EMP. Parties responsible for transgression of the EMP should be held responsible for any rehabilitation that may need to be undertaken. A Health, Safety, Environment and Quality policy as well as Environmental Policy could be used in conjunction with the EMP. Operators and responsible personnel must be taught the contents of these documents. Municipal or national regulations and guidelines must be adhered to and monitored regularly as outlined in the EMP.

The EMP will be used to apply for an ECC in compliance with Namibia's Environmental Management Act (Act No 7 of 2007).

2 SCOPE

The scope of the EMP is to:-

- Provide a brief overview of all components and related operations of the facility.
- Summarise the legal and regulatory framework within which the fuel retail facility operates.
- Provide a brief overview of the environment, i.e. the physical, biological, social and economic conditions, potentially impacted by the facility.
- Identify potential impacts of the facility on the environment.
- Identify a range of management actions which could mitigate the potential adverse impacts to acceptable levels.
- Provide sufficient information to the relevant competent authorities and the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism to make informed decisions regarding the development.

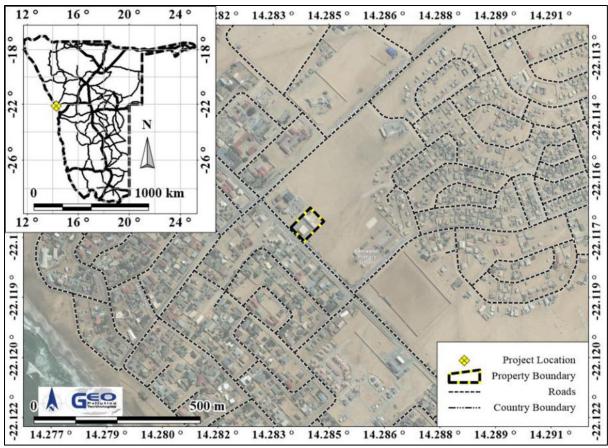


Figure 2-1. Project location

3 METHODOLOGY

The following methods were used to prepare the EMP:

- 1. Baseline information about the site and its surroundings was obtained from primary information and existing secondary information.
- Potential environmental impacts emanating from the operations, construction / maintenance and decommissioning of the facility were considered and possible enhancement measures were listed for positive impacts while mitigation / preventative measures were provided for negative impacts as part of the EMP.

4 FACILITY OPERATIONS AND RELATED ACTIVITIES

The fuel retail facility is situated on erf 912, Jakkalsputz Street, Henties Bay and has been operational for many years (Figure 2-1). The erf is zoned for general business use. The site contains six vented, 23 m³ underground composite tanks of which four are used for the storage of unleaded petrol (ULP 95) and two for 50 ppm diesel. A forecourt area hosts five pump islands (accommodating pumps 1 to 10), of which four are situated under an overhead canopy (accommodating pumps 1 to 8). Pump islands are situated northeast of the storage tanks, see Figure 4-1. Spill control infrastructure is present on site. This includes spill control concrete slabs with drains connected to a three stage oil/water separator on all surfaces where fuel is handled. The residual liquid collected in the separator is removed by truck and pump when required. Additional safety systems include properly vented tanks with leak detection, tank pit inspection holes and emergency shutoff systems. Fire extinguishers and emergency stops are placed throughout the facility and within easy reach of attendants. A carwash facility is located north of the canopy area. An emergency assembly area is also located at the site.

Normal operational activities associated with a fuel retail facility continues. Unleaded petrol and 50 ppm diesel are received from tanker trucks and stored in the underground storage tanks. Fuel is

dispensed to customers via the dispensers on pump islands by pump attendants as required. Regular tank dips and reconciliation of fuel volumes are performed to detect any possible leaks.

Maintenance continues on a daily basis and may include some minor construction activities. Maintenance include minor repairs to infrastructure, general upkeep of the fuel retail facility and associated infrastructure including painting, servicing of equipment, etc.

Table 4-1. Tank Details

Map #	T1	Т2	Т3	T4	Т5	Т6
Product	ULP 95	ULP 95	ULP 95	ULP 95	50 ppm	50 ppm
Capacity (m ³)	23	23	23	23	23	23
Type (Aboveground / Underground (A / U))	U	U	U	U	U	U
Tank Material:	Composite					
Filler Point # / OT (On Tank)	1	2	3	4	5	6
Spill Control Slab	Concrete at filling points and dispensers. Interlocks at tanks.					
Connected to Separator	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes



Figure 4-1 Site layout

5 ADMINISTRATIVE, LEGAL AND POLICY REQUIREMENTS

To protect the environment and achieve sustainable development, all projects, plans, programmes and policies deemed to have adverse impacts on the environment require an environmental assessment, as per the Namibian legislation. The legislation and standards provided in Table 5-1 to Table 5-4 govern the environmental assessment process in Namibia and/or are relevant to the facility.

Table 5-1. Namibian law applicable to the fuel retail facility

Law	Key Aspects
The Namibian Constitution	 Promote the welfare of people. Incorporates a high level of environmental protection. Incorporates international agreements as part of Namibian law.
Environmental Management Act Act No. 7 of 2007, Government Notice No. 232 of 2007	 Defines the environment. Promote sustainable management of the environment and the use of natural resources. Provide a process of assessment and control of activities with possible significant effects on the environment.
Environmental Management Act Regulations Government Notice No. 28-30 of 2012	 Commencement of the Environmental Management Act. List activities that requires an environmental clearance certificate. Provide Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations.
Petroleum Products and Energy Act Act No. 13 of 1990, Government Notice No. 45 of 1990	 Regulates petroleum industry. Makes provision for impact assessment. Petroleum Products Regulations (Government Notice No. 155 of 2000). Prescribes South African National Standards (SANS) or equivalents for construction, operation and decommissioning of petroleum facilities (refer to Government Notice No. 21 of 2002).
The Water Act Act No. 54 of 1956	 Remains in force until the new Water Resources Management Act comes into force. Defines the interests of the state in protecting water resources. Controls the disposal of effluent. Numerous amendments.
Water Resources Management Act Act No. 11 of 2013	 Provide for management, protection, development, use and conservation of water resources. Prevention of water pollution and assignment of liability. Not in force yet.
Local Authorities Act Act No. 23 of 1992, Government Notice No. 116 of 1992	 Define the powers, duties and functions of local authority councils. Regulates discharges into sewers.
Public Health Act Act No. 36 of 1919	• Provides for the protection of health of all people.

Law	Key Aspects
Public and Environmental Health Act Act No. 1 of 2015, Government Notice No. 86 of 2015	 Provides a framework for a structured more uniform public and environmental health system, and for incidental matters. Deals with Integrated Waste Management including waste collection disposal and recycling; waste generation and storage; and sanitation.
Labour Act Act No 11 of 2007, Government Notice No. 236 of 2007	 Provides for Labour Law and the protection and safety of employees. Labour Act, 1992: Regulations relating to the health and safety of employees at work (Government Notice No. 156 of 1997).
Atmospheric Pollution Prevention Ordinance Ordinance No. 11 of 1976	 Governs the control of noxious or offensive gases Prohibits scheduled process without a registration certificate in a controlled area. Requires best practical means for preventing or reducing the escape into the atmosphere of noxious or offensive gases produced by the scheduled process.
Hazardous Substances Ordinance Ordinance No. 14 of 1974	 Applies to the manufacture, sale, use, disposal and dumping of hazardous substances as well as their import and export. Aims to prevent hazardous substances from causing injury, ill-health or the death of human beings.
Pollution Control and Waste Management Bill (draft document)	 Not in force yet. Provides for prevention and control of pollution and waste. Provides for procedures to be followed for licence applications.

Table 5-2. Municipal by-laws, guidelines and regulations

Municipal By-laws, Guidelines or Regulations	Key Aspects
Regulations Namibian Coast Conservation and Management Project (NACOMA) Environmental Management Plan accepted by Council Resolution 066/08/06/2011	 Littering and waste generation at household and business level is minimised. All residential and commercial areas have adequate waste storage infrastructure and removal services. Type specific waste disposal facilities are established and adequately managed. Domestic water use is not excessive and water is not lost through leakage from faulty pipes and pumps. Water is efficiently recycled and reused by the Town Council as well as business and industry and use fresh water efficiently. Domestic energy use is not excessive and Sustainable energy sources are considered for use at local level The town is adequately prepared for storm events. The town becomes a conservation partner of the desert, coastal and marine environments. The town and surroundings are generally litter free.
	• Indigenous trees in the Omaruru River are not threatened.
	• Tourism and recreational activities in the ocean and on land do not impact negatively on biodiversity.

Table 5-3. Standards or codes of practise

Standard or Code	Key Aspects
South African National Standards (SANS)	♦ The Petroleum Products and Energy Act prescribes SANS standards for the construction, operations and demolition of petroleum facilities.
	♦ SANS 10089-3:2010 is specifically aimed at storage and distribution of petroleum products at fuel retail facilities and consumer installations.
	 Provide requirements for spill control infrastructure

Table 5-4. Relevant multilateral environmental agreements for Namibia and the development

Agreement	Key Aspects		
Stockholm Declaration on the Human Environment, Stockholm 1972.	 Recognizes the need for a common outlook and common principles to inspire and guide the people of the world in the preservation and enhancement of the human environment. 		
1985 Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer	 Aims to protect human health and the environment against adverse effects from modification of the Ozone Layer are considered. 		
	 Adopted to regulate levels of greenhouse gas concentration in the atmosphere. 		
United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)	• The Convention recognises that developing countries should be accorded appropriate assistance to enable them to fulfil the terms of the Convention.		
Convention on Biological Diversity, Rio de Janeiro, 1992	 Under article 14 of The Convention, EIAs must be conducted for projects that may negatively affect biological diversity. 		

The project is listed as an activity requiring an ECC as per the following points from Section 9 of Government Notice No. 29 of 2012:

- 9.1 "The manufacturing, storage, handling or processing of a hazardous substance defined in the Hazardous Substances Ordinance, 1974."
- 9.2 "Any process or activity which requires a permit, licence or other form of authorisation, or the modification of or changes to existing facilities for any process or activity which requires an amendment of an existing permit, licence or authorisation or which requires a new permit, licence or authorisation in terms of a law governing the generation or release of emissions, pollution, effluent or waste."
- 9.4 "The storage and handling of a dangerous goods, including petrol, diesel, liquid petroleum gas or paraffin, in containers with a combined capacity of more than 30 cubic meters at any one location."
- 9.5 "Construction of filling stations or any other facility for the underground and aboveground storage of dangerous goods, including petrol, diesel, liquid petroleum gas or paraffin."

6 ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS

This section lists pertinent environmental characteristics of the study area.

6.1 LOCALITY AND SURROUNDING LAND USE

The facility is located on erf 912, Jakkalsputs Road, Henties Bay, Erongo Region (22.11734°S, 14.28383°E) (Figure 2-1). The property is situated within the municipal area of Henties Bay and is zoned for general business use. The greater area is largely classified as a residential and general business area. Access to the site is gained via Jakkalsputs Road.

6.2 CLIMATE

Namibia's climate is dominated by dry conditions for most of the year and particularly so in the west. The location of Namibia with respect to the Intertropical Convergence Zone, Subtropical High Pressure Zone and Temperate Zone is what determines the climate, with the Subtropical High Pressure Zone being the major contributor to the dry conditions (Atlas of Namibia, 2002; Bryant, 2010).

On a more localised scale, the climatic conditions on the central Namibian coast, and inland thereof (coastal plains), are strongly influenced by the cold Benguela current, the SAH and the relatively flat coastal plains separated from the central highlands by a steep escarpment. The anticlockwise circulation of the high pressure SAH and the action of the earth's Coriolis force result in strong southerly (longshore) winds blowing northwards up the coastline of Namibia (Bryant, 2010; Corbett, 2018). This longshore wind is responsible for upwelling of the cold, deep waters of the Benguela Current.

The winds are strongest in early to mid-summer (September to January) when the SAH is at its strongest and most persistent, and the temperature difference between the sea and the desert plains are at its greatest. Wind speeds then occasionally exceed 32 km/h and usually peaks late morning to early afternoon. In winter, the SAH loses strength and the southerly to south-westerly winds are at their weakest. Winter winds do not have enough strength to reach far inland. Autumn to winter conditions do however promote the formation of east wind conditions (berg winds) that can reach speeds of more than 50 km/h and transport a lot of sand. East winds occur when the inland plateau is cold with a localised high pressure cell, while a low pressure system is present at the coast. The high pressure cell forces air off the escarpment and as the air descents, it warms adiabatically as well as create a low pressure system due to the vertical expansion of the air column. The warm air flows toward the coastal low and as it passes over the Namib plains, it heats up even further. The wind manifests itself as very strong, warm and dry winds during the mornings to early afternoon, but dies down late afternoon.

Throughout the year the prevailing night time wind is a weak easterly wind. This results from the mainland cooling to below the temperature of the coastal water. This results in a coastal low versus an onshore high pressure system with first no wind in the early evening, when temperatures between water and land is similar, and then weak easterly winds as the temperature difference increase.

Temperature at Henties Bay is strongly regulated by the cold Benguela current. As a result, there is typically limited variation between diurnal and seasonal temperatures. Average annual temperatures are below 16 °C (Table 6-1) with the maximum temperature seldom above 32 °C and minimums rarely below 7 °C. The only real temperature extremes are experienced during east wind conditions in the autumn to early winter months when temperatures can reach the upper thirties or even low forties.

Table 6-1 Summary of climate data for Henties Bay (Atlas of Namibia)

Tuble of Summary of consider data for frences buy (finas of framible)			
Average annual rainfall (mm/a)	0-50		
Variation in annual rainfall (%)	>100		
Average annual evaporation (mm/a)	2,400-2,600		
Water deficit (mm/a)	1,701-1,900		
Average annual temperatures (°C)	<16		

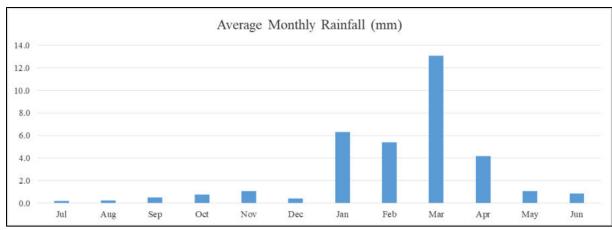


Figure 6-1 Monthly average rainfall

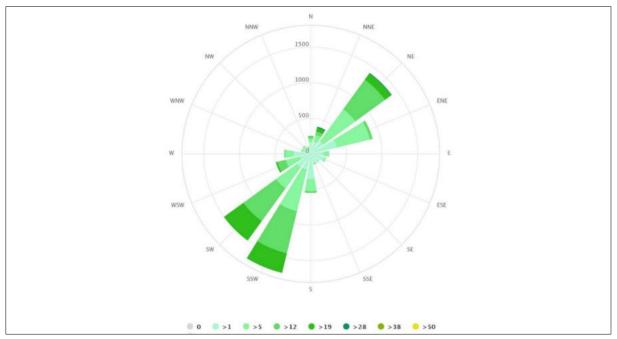


Figure 6-2 Wind rose (Meteoblue, 2022)

6.3 CORROSIVE ENVIRONMENT

Henties Bay is located in a corrosive environment, which may be attributed to the frequent salt-laden fog, periodic winds and abundance of aggressive salts (dominantly NaCl and sulphates) in the soil. The periodic release of hydrogen sulphide (H₂S) from the ocean is expected to contribute to corrosion. See Figure 6-3 for corrosion comparison data of Walvis Bay with other centres. The corrosive environment of Henties Bay is expected to be closely related to that of Walvis Bay. The combination of high moisture and salt content of the surface soil can lead to rapid deterioration of subsurface metal (e.g. pipelines) and concrete structures. Chemical weathering of concrete structures due to the abundant salts in the soil is a concern.

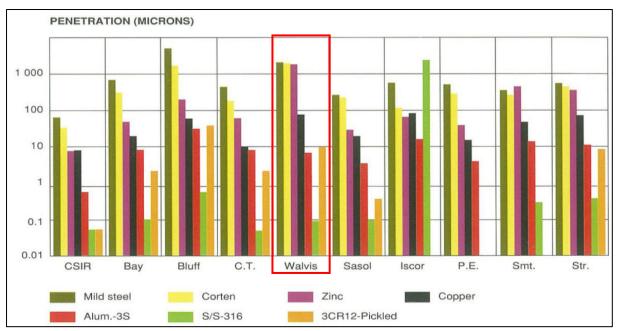


Figure 6-3 Twenty year corrosion exposure results in southern African towns (Callaghan 1991)

6.4 TOPOGRAPHY AND DRAINAGE

Henties Bay is located in the Central Western Plain of Namibia. The area consist out of flat sandy plains with small ridges and hills consisting of rocky outcrops. Small aeolian sand dunes occur south of the settlement and north on the banks of the Omaruru River. The lower Omaruru River is the source of the aeolian sand and the north-easterly Berg wind is the dominant sand-moving agent that form the dunes. Henties Bay is located on extensive alluvial sediments of sands, silts and gravels that form a sea-facing cliff of up to 20 m high.

The Omaruru River is a major ephemeral watercourse that follow a south-westerly course that is partially incised in these sediments for the last 8 km to the Atlantic Ocean. A distributary runs to the south of the main channel through the central part of Henties Bay (Miller, 1988). The mouth of the Omaruru River is directly north of Henties Bay. The topography is generally flat with a local gentle downward slope in a south westerly direction to the ocean. Further inland is the gravel plains of the central areas of the Dorob National Park. Surface water around Henties Bay is limited to the marine salt pans and ocean as well as a small spring in the mouth of the distributary. The site and surrounding areas are generally flat.

6.5 GEOLOGY AND HYDROGEOLOGY

Following the breakup of West-Gondwana during the early Cretaceous (130-135 Ma ago), continental uplift took place, enhancing erosional cutback and the formation of the Namibian Escarpment. A narrow pediplain formed, mainly over Damara Age rocks. The South Atlantic started filling in over the pediplain, with marine conditions established around 80 Ma ago. Towards the end of the Cretaceous (70-65 Ma ago) a relative level surface was created, on which later deposition of sediments took place. Marine deposition took place in the parts covered by the newly formed South Atlantic Ocean, while terrestrial deposits took place on land. Further continental uplift moved the shoreline to its present position (Miller, 2008).

Henties Bay is located on the extensive alluvial deposits that were deposited during the Pleistocene in the Quaternary Age. The deposits consist out of cohesive sediments, comprising of sands, silts and gravels. Consolidated deposits occur in the form of conglomeration of rounded pebbles at the lower part of the alluvial sequence. A more recent fluvial provenance forms over the alluvial deposits in the form of aeolian sand deposition by Berg winds. The sand is coarse- to medium grained. The source of the aolian sand is from the dry beds of the Omaruru River, forming a drape over the sea facing cliff as well as barchanoid and parabolic dunes (Miller, 1988).

Groundwater in the area is expected to be 15 m below surface and most probably related to seawater intrusion. Shallow freshwater lenses might be present. The origin of these freshwater lenses would mostly be freshwater leakages from the water supply reticulation as well as from the semi purified ponds present near the effluent treatment works. However the natural small spring in the mouth of the distributary of the Omaruru River may be related to surfacing shallow groundwater.

6.6 PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY

Public water supply to Henties Bay and the surrounding developments is provided by NamWater from the NamWater Omdel Dam Artificial Recharge Enhancement Project.

6.7 FAUNA AND FLORA

The vegetation for the surrounding area can be classified as the Desert Biome and Central Desert Type. The site is located within an urban set-up and is built up. In the urban setup, the habitat for fauna and flora is fragmented and is expected to degrade subsequently. There is no vegetation present at the site.

Lichens occur on the highly sensitive gypsum plains that surround the Henties Bay settlement. The lichen fields is vital to the ecology of the Namib, as they provide food and shelter for many forms of wildlife. The lichens are often destroyed by carelessly laid vehicle tracks. This is because the brittle gypsum crust is easily broken and lichens are extremely slow growing. The latter leave long-lasting scars that are all too clearly visible over most of the Namib's gravel plains today. The surrounding plains also provide nesting spots for the Damara Tern, which populations are only confined to the Namibian coastline and some parts of South Africa.

6.8 DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

At local level Henties Bay has an urban population size of 4,800 (Erongo Regional Council, 2022) and during holiday periods the population can increase greatly. Henties Bay is a popular tourism hub for local and international tourists. The area is linked to some of Namibia's most popular tourism destinations such as Cape Cross, Brandberg Massif and Messum Crater.

Table 6-2. Demographic characteristics of Henties Bay, the Erongo Region and Nationally (Namibia Statistics Agency, 2011; Erongo Regional Council, 2022)

	Henties Bay	Erongo Region	Namibia
Population (Males)	2,400	79,823	1,021,912
Population (Females)	2,400	70,986	1,091,165
Population (Total)	4,800	150,809	2,113,077
Unemployment (15+ years)	N/A	22.6%	33.8%
Literacy (15+ years)	N/A	96.7%	87.7%
Education at secondary level (15+ years)	50%	71.8%	51.2%
Households considered poor	N/A	5.1%	19.5%

6.9 CULTURAL, HERITAGE AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASPECTS

There are no church, mosques or related buildings in close proximity to the site. No known archaeological resources have been noted in the vicinity since the urbanisation of the area. No other structures, sites or spheres of heritage of cultural significance was determined to be in close proximity to the site.

7 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN

The EMP provides management options to ensure impacts of the facility are minimised. An EMP is a tool used to take pro-active action by addressing potential problems before they occur. This should limit the corrective measures needed, although additional mitigation measures might be included if necessary. The environmental management measures are provided in the tables and descriptions below.

These management measures should be adhered to during the various phases of the operation of the facility. This EMP act as a stand-alone document. All personnel taking part in the operations of the facility should be made aware of the contents in this report, so as to plan the operations accordingly and in an environmentally sound manner.

The objectives of the EMP are:

- to include all components of construction activities (upgrades, maintenance, etc.) and operations of the facility;
- to prescribe the best practicable control methods to lessen the environmental impacts associated with the project;
- to monitor and audit the performance of operational personnel in applying such controls; and
- to ensure that appropriate environmental training is provided to responsible operational personnel.

7.1 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EMP

Section 7.2 outline the management of the environmental elements that may be affected by the different activities. Impacts addressed and mitigation measures proposed are seen as minimum requirements which have to be elaborated on. Delegation of mitigation measures and reporting activities should be determined by the Proponent and included in the EMP. The EMP is a living document that must be prepared in detail, and regularly updated by the Proponent as the project progress and evolve.

The EMP and ECC must be communicated to the site managers. A copy of the ECC and EMP should be kept on site. All monitoring results must be reported on as indicated. Reporting is important for any future renewals of the ECC and must be submitted to the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism. Renewal of ECC will require six monthly reports based on the monitoring prescribed in this EMP.

Various potential and definite impacts will emanate from the operations, construction and decommissioning phases. The majority of these impacts can be mitigated or prevented. The prevention and mitigation measures are listed below.

7.2 MANAGEMENT OF IMPACTS: OPERATIONS AND CONSTRUCTION

The following section provides management measures for both the operational phase as well as construction activities related to facility.

7.2.1 Planning

During the phases of planning for operations, construction and decommissioning of the facility, it is the responsibility of the Proponent to ensure they are and remain compliant with all legal requirements. The Proponent must also ensure that all required management measures are in place prior to and during all phases, to ensure potential impacts and risks are minimised. The following actions are recommended for the planning phase and should continue during various other phases of the project:

- Ensure that all necessary permits from the various ministries, local authorities and any other bodies that governs the construction activities and operations of the project are in place and remains valid. This includes the petroleum products licence and municipal approvals.
- Ensure that design parameters, where required, are approved by relevant authorities prior to any construction activities at the facility.
- Ensure all appointed contractors and employees enter into an agreement which includes the EMP. Ensure that the contents of the EMP are understood by the contractors, subcontractors, employees and all personnel present or who will be present on site.
- Make provisions to have a Health, Safety and Environmental Coordinator to implement the EMP and oversee occupational health and safety as well as general environmental related compliance at the site.

- Have the following emergency plans, equipment and personnel on site where reasonable to deal with all potential emergencies:
 - o Risk management / mitigation / EMP/ Emergency Response Plan and HSE Manuals
 - o Adequate protection and indemnity insurance cover for incidents;
 - o Comply with the provisions of all relevant safety standards;
 - o Procedures, equipment and materials required for emergencies.
- Establish and maintain a fund for future ecological restoration of the project site should project activities cease and the site is decommissioned and environmental restoration or pollution remediation is required.
- Establish and / or maintain a reporting system to report on aspects of construction activities, operations and decommissioning as outlined in the EMP.
- Submit bi-annual reports to the MEFT to allow for environmental clearance certificate renewal after three years. This is a requirement by MEFT.
- Appoint a specialist environmental consultant to update the EMP and apply for renewal of the environmental clearance certificate prior to expiry.

7.2.2 Skills, Technology and Development

During various phases of the facility, training is provided to a portion of the workforce to be able to maintain and operate various features of a fuel retail facility according to the required standards. Skills are transferred to an unskilled workforce for general tasks. The technology required for the development of the facility is often new to the local industry, aiding in operational efficiency. Development of people and technology are key to economic development.

<u>Desired outcome:</u> To see an increase in skills of local Namibians, as well as development and technology advancements in the fuel retail industry.

Actions

Mitigation:

- If the skills exist locally, contractors must first be sourced from the town, then the region and then nationally. Deviations from this practice must be justified.
- Skills development and improvement programs to be made available as identified during performance assessments.
- Employees to be informed about parameters and requirements for references upon employment.
- The proponent must employ Namibians where possible. Deviations from this practise should be justified appropriately.

Responsible Body:

- Proponent
- Contractors

- Record should be kept of training provided.
- Ensure that all training is certified or managerial reference provided (proof provided to the employees) inclusive of training attendance, completion and implementation.
- Summarise all training (formal and informal) in a bi-annual report.

7.2.3 Revenue Generation and Employment

The change in land use has led to changes in the way revenue is generated and paid to the national treasury. An increase of skilled and professional labour has and will continue to take place due to the operations of the facility. Employment is sourced locally while skilled labour/contractors may be sourced from other regions.

<u>Desired outcome:</u> Contribution to national treasury and provision of employment to local Namibians.

Actions

Mitigation:

- The Proponent must employ local Namibians where possible.
- If the skills exist locally, employees must first be sourced from the town, then the region and then nationally.
- Deviations from this practice must be justified.

Responsible Body:

♦ Proponent

Data Sources and Monitoring:

• Bi-annual summary report based on employee records.

7.2.4 Demographic Profile and Community Health

The facility relies on labour during construction and operational phases. The scale of the project is limited and it is not foreseen that it has created a change in the demographic profile of the local community. Community health may be exposed to factors such as communicable disease like HIV/AIDS and alcoholism/drug abuse. During construction and maintenance events, an increase in foreign people in the area may potentially increase the risk of criminal and socially/culturally deviant behaviour. However, such trends have not been observed since the site became operational. Spills and leaks may present health risks to employees and members of the public.

<u>Desired Outcome:</u> To prevent the in-migration and growth in informal settlements and to prevent the spread of communicable diseases and prevent / discourage socially deviant behaviour.

Actions:

Prevention:

- Employ only local people from the area, deviations from this practice should be justified appropriately.
- Adhere to all municipal by-laws relating to environmental health which include, but is not limited to, sand and grease traps for the various facilities and sanitation requirements.

Mitigation:

- Educational programmes for employees on HIV/AIDs and general upliftment of employees' social status.
- Appointment of reputable contractors.

Responsible Body:

Proponent

- Facility inspection sheet for all areas, which may present environmental health risks, kept on file.
- Bi-annual summary report based on employee demographics, educational programmes and training conducted.

7.2.5 Fuel Supply

The operation of the facility aid in securing fuel supply to the residents, patrons and business in Henties Bay.

<u>Desired Outcome:</u> Ensure a secure fuel supply remains available.

Actions

Mitigation:

- Ensure compliance to the petroleum regulations of Namibia.
- Proper fuel management to ensure constant supply.
- Record supply problems and take corrective actions.

Responsible Body:

Proponent

Data Sources and Monitoring:

• Record supply problems and corrective actions taken.

7.2.6 Traffic

The facility may have increased the traffic flow to the site through the provision of fuel. An increase in traffic to and from the site may increase congestion and increase the risk of incidents and accidents, especially during delivery of fuel.

<u>Desired Outcome:</u> Minimum impact on traffic and no transport or traffic related incidents.

Actions

Prevention:

- Erect clear signage regarding access and exit points at the facility.
- During peak holiday season, a sufficient number of pump attendants must be on duty to ensure service to clients are fast and efficient. This will reduce queuing and possible traffic related impacts.

Mitigation:

- Tanker trucks delivering fuel should not be allowed to obstruct any traffic in surrounding streets
- Traffic management during fuel deliveries or when traffic impacts are expected.

Responsible Body:

Proponent

- Any complaints received regarding traffic issues should be recorded together with action taken to prevent impacts from repeating itself.
- A bi-annual report should be compiled of all incidents reported, complaints received, and action taken.

7.2.7 Health, Safety and Security

The operations of the facility rely on human labour and therefore exposes them to health and safety risks. Activities such as the operation of machinery and handling of hazardous chemicals (inhalation and carcinogenic effect of some petroleum products), poses the main risks to employees. Security risks are related to unauthorized entry, theft and sabotage.

<u>Desired Outcome:</u> To prevent injury, health impacts and theft.

Actions

Prevention:

- Clearly label dangerous and restricted areas as well as dangerous equipment and products.
- Equipment that will be locked away on site must be placed in a way that does not encourage criminal activities (e.g. theft).
- Provide all employees with required and adequate personal protective equipment (PPE).
- Ensure that all personnel receive adequate training on operation of equipment / handling of hazardous substances.
- ♦ All Health and Safety standards specified in the Labour Act should be complied with.
- Implementation of maintenance register for all equipment and fuel/hazardous substance storage areas.

Mitigation:

- Selected personnel should be trained in first aid and a first aid kit must be available on site. The contact details of all emergency services must be readily available.
- Implement and maintain an integrated health and safety management system, to act as a monitoring and mitigating tool, which includes: operational, safe work and medical procedures, permits to work, emergency response plans, housekeeping rules, MSDS's and signage requirements (PPE, flammable etc.).
- Security procedures and proper security measures must be in place to protect workers and clients, especially during cash in transit activities.
- Reduce the amount of cash kept on site to reduce the risk of robberies.
- Strict security that prevents unauthorised entry during construction phases.

Responsible Body:

- Proponent
- Contractors

- Any incidents must be recorded with action taken to prevent future occurrences.
- A bi-annual report should be compiled of all incidents reported. The report should contain dates when training were conducted and when safety equipment and structures were inspected and maintained.

7.2.8 Fire

Fuel, especially unleaded petrol, is highly flammable and therefore presents a fire risk. Operational and maintenance activities may increase the risk of fires. The site is located in a built-up area which increases the difficulty of fighting fires.

<u>Desired Outcome:</u> To prevent property damage, possible injury and impacts caused by uncontrolled fires.

Actions:

Prevention:

- A holistic fire protection and prevention plan is needed. This plan must include an emergency response plan, firefighting plan and spill recovery plan.
- Maintain firefighting equipment, good housekeeping and personnel training (firefighting, fire prevention and responsible housekeeping practices).
- Ensure all chemicals are stored according to MSDS and SANS instructions.
- Maintain regular site, mechanical and electrical inspections and maintenance.
- Clean all spills / leaks.
- Special note must be taken of the regulations stipulated in sections 47 and 48 of the Petroleum Products and Energy Act, 1990 (Act No. 13 of 1990).
- Follow SANS standards for operation and maintenance of the facility.
- All dispensers must be equipped with devices that cut fuel supply during fires.
- Ensure all pump attendants are trained on the importance of filling only suitable containers with fuel as well as earthing of such containers when filling with unleaded petrol which can accumulate static electricity.

Mitigation:

• In case of a fire, the firefighting plan must be initiated immediately and all emergency procedures must be performed as practiced during training. This includes notifying the fire brigade, engaging emergency stops, using fire extinguishers, evacuation, etc.

Responsible Body:

- Proponent
- Contractors

- A register of all incidents must be maintained on a daily basis. This should include measures taken to ensure that such incidents do not repeat themselves.
- A bi-annual report should be compiled of all incidents reported. The report should contain dates when fire drills were conducted and when fire equipment was tested and training given.

7.2.9 Air Quality

Fuel vapours are released into the air during refuelling of bulk storage tanks as well as at filling points. Prolonged exposure may have carcinogenic effects. Dust may be generated should any construction take place.

<u>Desired Outcome:</u> To prevent health impacts and minimise the dust generated.

Actions

Mitigation:

- Personnel issued with appropriate masks where excessive dust or vapours are present.
- A complaints register should be kept for any dust related issues and mitigation steps taken to address complaints where necessary e.g. dust suppression.
- Employees should be coached on the dangers of fuel vapours.
- Vent pipes must be properly placed as per SANS requirements.

Responsible Body:

- Proponent
- Contractors

- Any complaints received regarding dust or fuel vapours should be recorded with notes on action taken.
- All information and reporting to be included in a bi-annual report.

7.2.10 Noise

Noise pollution will exist due to heavy and light motor vehicles accessing the site to offload fuel or refuel. A fuel retail facility is a 24 hour operation which means that vehicle noise is generated throughout the day and night. Construction (maintenance and upgrades) may generate excessive noise.

<u>Desired Outcome:</u> To prevent any nuisance and hearing loss due to elevated noise levels.

Actions

- Prevention:
- Follow World Health Organization (WHO) guidelines on maximum noise levels (Guidelines for Community Noise, 1999) to prevent hearing impairment.
- All machinery must be regularly serviced to ensure minimal noise production.
- Keep volume of public address systems at levels that will not be a nuisance to neighbours.
- ♦ Manage noise caused by clients loud music, etc.

Mitigation:

• Hearing protectors as standard PPE for workers in situations with elevated noise levels.

Responsible Body:

- Proponent
- Contractors

- WHO Guidelines.
- Maintain a complaints register.
- Bi-annual report on complaints and actions taken to address complaints and prevent future occurrences.

7.2.11 Waste production

Various waste streams are produced during the operational phase. Waste may include hazardous waste associated with the handling of hydrocarbon products. Domestic waste is generated by the facility and related operations. Waste presents a contamination risk and when not removed regularly may become a fire hazard. Construction waste may include building rubble and discarded equipment contaminated by hydrocarbon products. Contaminated soil and water is considered as a hazardous waste.

<u>Desired Outcome:</u> To reduce the amount of waste produced, and prevent pollution and littering.

Actions

Prevention:

- Waste reduction measures should be implemented and all waste that can be re-used / recycled must be kept separate.
- Ensure adequate disposal storage facilities are available.
- Ensure waste cannot be blown away by wind.
- Prevent scavenging (human and non-human) of stored waste.

Mitigation:

- Waste should be disposed of regularly and at appropriately classified disposal facilities, this includes hazardous material (empty chemical containers, contaminated rugs, paper water and soil).
- The spill catchment traps and oil water separator should be cleaned regularly and waste disposed of appropriately. Surfactants (soap) may not be allowed to enter the oil water separator.
- See the material safety data sheets available from suppliers for disposal of contaminated products and empty containers.
- Liaise with the municipality regarding waste and handling of hazardous waste.

Responsible Body:

- Proponent
- Contractors

- A register of hazardous waste disposal should be kept. This should include type of waste, volume as well as disposal method/facility.
- Any complaints received regarding waste should be recorded with notes on action taken.
- The oil water separator must be regularly inspected and all hydrocarbons removed once detected. Outflow water must comply with effluent quality standards.
- All information and reporting to be included in a bi-annual report.

7.2.12 Ecosystem and Biodiversity Impact

The nature of the operational activities is such that the probability of creating a habitat for flora and fauna to establish is low. No significant impact on the biodiversity of the area is predicted as the site is already developed and void of natural fauna and flora. Impacts are therefore mostly related to pollution of the environment.

<u>Desired Outcome:</u> To avoid pollution of and impacts on the ecological environment.

Actions.

Prevention:

- Contain all food related waste as to prevent animals from scavenging and dispose of such waste regularly to prevent the attraction of vermin by such waste.
- Discourage birds from utilising structures on site for purposes of nesting.

Mitigation:

- Report any extraordinary animal sightings to the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism.
- Mitigation measures related to waste handling and the prevention of groundwater, surface water and soil contamination should limit ecosystem and biodiversity impacts.

Responsible Body:

Proponent

Data Sources and Monitoring:

• All information related to extraordinary sightings or problems with animals to be included in a bi-annual report.

7.2.13 Groundwater, Surface Water and Soil Contamination

Operations entail the storage and handling of various hydrocarbons (such as fuels and lubricants) which present a contamination risk. Contamination may either result from failing storage facilities, or spills and leaks associated with fuel handling. The facility provides fuel to public vehicles which may further present contamination risks through overfills. Such material may contaminate surface water, soil and groundwater.

Modern retail facilities are well designed to prevent leakages and spillages form contaminating soil and water, and where leaks or spills occur, that it is contained.

<u>Desired Outcome:</u> To prevent the contamination of water and soil.

Actions

Prevention:

- Spill control structures and procedures must be in place according to SANS standards or better and connection of all surfaces where fuel is handled, with an oil water separator.
- All fuelling should be conducted on surfaces provided for this purpose. E.g. Concrete slabs with regularly maintained seals between slabs.
- The procedures followed to prevent environmental damage during service and maintenance, and compliance with these procedures, must be audited and corrections made where necessary.
- Proper training of operators must be conducted on a regular basis (Fuel handling, spill detection, spill control).

Mitigation:

- Any spillage of more than 200 litre must be reported to the Ministry of Mines and Energy.
- Spill clean-up means must be readily available on site as per the relevant MSDS.
- All spills must be cleaned up immediately.
- The spill catchment traps and oil water separator should be cleaned regularly and waste disposed of at a suitably classified hazardous waste disposal facility.
- Surfactants (soap) may not be allowed to enter the oil water separator. Importantly, the use of soap on spill control surfaces connected to the separator should not be allowed.

Responsible Body:

- Proponent
- Contractors

- Inspection holes at the ends of the tanks must as a minimum be inspected every 14 days and measurements must be recorded for future reference. Inspection must include the evaluation of LNAPL on the water surface, if water is present.
- A report should be compiled bi-annually of all spills or leakages reported. The report should contain the following information: date and duration of spill, product spilled, volume of spill, remedial action taken, comparison of pre-exposure baseline data (previous pollution conditions survey results) with post remediation data (e.g. soil/groundwater hydrocarbon concentrations) and a copy of documentation in which spill was reported to Ministry of Mines and Energy.

7.2.14 Visual Impact

This is an impact that not only affects the aesthetic appearance, but also the integrity of the facility.

<u>Desired Outcome:</u> To minimise aesthetic impacts associated with the facility.

Actions

Mitigation:

• Regular waste disposal, good housekeeping and routine maintenance on infrastructure will ensure that the longevity of structures are maximised and a low visual impact is maintained.

Responsible Body:

- ♦ Proponent
- Contractors

Data Sources and Monitoring:

• A bi-annual report should be compiled of all complaints received and actions taken.

7.2.15 Cumulative Impact

Possible cumulative impacts associated with the operational phase include increased traffic in the area. This will have a cumulative impact on traffic flow on Jakkalsputs Road.

<u>Desired Outcome:</u> To minimise cumulative all impacts associated with the facility.

Actions

Mitigation:

- Addressing each of the individual impacts as discussed and recommended in the EMP would reduce the cumulative impact.
- Reviewing biannual and annual reports for any new or re-occurring impacts or problems would aid in identifying cumulative impacts and help in planning if the existing mitigations are insufficient

Responsible Body:

Proponent

Data Sources and Monitoring:

• Bi-annual reports based on all other impacts will provide an overall assessment of the impact of the operational and maintenance phases.

7.3 DECOMMISSIONING AND REHABILITATION

Decommissioning is not foreseen during the validity of the ECC. Construction activities may however include modification and decommissioning. Should decommissioning occur at any stage, rehabilitation of the area may be required. Decommissioning will entail the complete removal of all infrastructure including buildings and underground infrastructure, if any, not forming part of post decommissioning land use. Any pollution present on the site must be remediated. The impacts associated with this phase include noise and waste production as structures are dismantled. Noise must be kept within WHO standards and waste should be contained and disposed of at an appropriately classified and approved waste facility and not dumped in the surrounding areas. Future land use after decommissioning should be assessed prior to decommissioning and rehabilitation initiated if the land would not be used for future purposes. The EMP for the facility will have to be reviewed at the time of decommissioning to cater for changes made to the site and implement guidelines and mitigation measures.

7.4 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

The Proponent could implement an Environmental Management System (EMS) for their operations. An EMS is an internationally recognized and certified management system that will ensure ongoing incorporation of environmental constraints. At the heart of an EMS is the concept of continual improvement of environmental performance with resulting increases in operational efficiency, financial savings and reduction in environmental, health and safety risks. An effective EMS would need to include the following elements:

- A stated environmental policy which sets the desired level of environmental performance;
- ♦ An environmental legal register;
- An institutional structure which sets out the responsibility, authority, lines of communication and resources needed to implement the EMS;
- Identification of environmental, safety and health training needs;
- ♦ An environmental program(s) stipulating environmental objectives and targets to be met, and work instructions and controls to be applied in order to achieve compliance with the environmental policy; and
- Periodic (internal and external) audits and reviews of environmental performance and the effectiveness of the EMS.
- **♦** The EMP.

8 CONCLUSION

The above EMP, if properly implemented will help to minimise adverse impacts on the environment. Where impacts occur, immediate action must be taken to reduce the escalation of effects associated with these impacts. To ensure the relevance of this document to the specific stage of the project, it needs to be reviewed throughout all phases.

The EMP should be used as an on-site reference document during all phases of the proposed project, and auditing should take place in order to determine compliance with the EMP for the proposed site. Parties responsible for transgression of the EMP should be held responsible for any rehabilitation that may need to be undertaken.

Monitoring reports must be submitted to the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism every six months to allow for the future renewal of the ECC.

9 REFERENCES

- Atlas of Namibia Project. 2002. Unpublished Report. Ministry of Environment & Tourism
- Bryant R. 2010. Characterising the Wind Regime of Sand Seas: Data Sources and Scaling Issues. Global Sand Seas: Past Present and Future. Working Group Conference: Royal Geographical Society in London.
- Callaghan B. 1991. Atmospheric corrosion testing in Southern Africa results of a twenty-year national programme.
- Corbett I. 2018. The Influence of the Benguela Low-Level Coastal Jet on the Architecture and Dynamics of Aeolian Transport Corridors in the Sperrgebiet, Namibia. Unpublished Report. https://pdfs.semanticscholar.org/a036/eb86ca35ceee1f19198d2735c93d36f9ac35.pdf?_ga=2.153 498104.1710554377.1586180758-213198396.1586180758 Accessed on 7 April 2020.
- Digital Atlas of Namibia Unpublished Report. Ministry of Environment & Tourism
- Directorate of Environmental Affairs, 2008. Procedures and Guidelines for Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Environmental Management Plans (EMP), Directorate of Environmental Affairs, Ministry of Environment and Tourism, Windhoek.
- Erongo Regional Council. 2022. Erongo Regional Council Demographics. http://www.erc.com.na/erongo-region/demographics/. Accessed on 01 April 2022.
- Meteoblue. 2022. Meteoblue/Archive/Climate. Retrieved from https://www.meteoblue.com/en/weather/historyclimate/climatemodelled/hentiesbaai_namibia_3 356832 accessed 11 March 2022
- Miller, R.2008. The Geology of Namibia, Volume 2. Neoproterozoic to Lower Palaeozoic, Ministry of Mines and Energy Geological Survey.
- Miller, R.1988. Communications of the Geological Survey of South West Africa/Namibia, Volume 4. Department of Economic Affairs.

Appendix A: Petroleum Products Licence



MINISTRY OF MINES AND ENERGY

PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND ENERGY ACT, 1990 PETROLEUM PRODUCTS REGULATIONS (2000)

RETAIL LICENCE

[Regulation 5(4)]

RETAIL	LICENCE	Licence No. R/137/2001		
Name of licence-holder	Hendrik J Grobler			
Address of licence-holder	Physical address	Postal address		
	Jakkalsputsweg Erf 173 + Ext 36 Henties Bay	Box 194		
Name of retail outlet		Problet Motors		
Name of supplying whole	TOTAL STATE OF THE	Namibia (Rty) Ltd		
Premises to which licence		akkalsputswegs orf 173 Ext 36 Henties Bay 02.8" 140 17' 04,1"		
Conditions applicable to li See next page for general and sp	cerice ecial conditions applicable to lic	sence.		
Date of issue of licence	as the second	May 2001		
Issued by the Minister of 5 May 2001 Windhock	Mines and Energy in ter	Official Stamp (for office use)		

Appendix B: Consultants' Curriculum Vitae

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENTIST

André Faul

André entered the environmental assessment profession at the beginning of 2013 and since then has worked on more than 150 Environmental Impact Assessments including assessments of the petroleum industry, harbour expansions, irrigation schemes, township establishment and power generation and transmission. André's post graduate studies focussed on zoological and ecological sciences and he holds a M.Sc. in Conservation Ecology and a Ph.D. in Medical Bioscience. His expertise is in ecotoxicological related studies focussing specifically on endocrine disrupting chemicals. His Ph.D. thesis title was The Assessment of Namibian Water Resources for Endocrine Disruptors. Before joining the environmental assessment profession he worked for 12 years in the Environmental Section of the Department of Biological Sciences at the University of Namibia, first as laboratory technician and then as lecturer in biological and ecological sciences.

CURRICULUM VITAE ANDRÉ FAUL

Name of Firm : Geo Pollution Technologies (Pty) Ltd.

Name of Staff : ANDRÉ FAUL

Profession : Environmental Scientist

Years' Experience : 19

Nationality : Namibian

Position : Environmental Scientist Specialisation : Environmental Toxicology

Languages : Afrikaans – speaking, reading, writing – excellent English – speaking, reading, writing – excellent

EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL STATUS:

B.Sc. Zoology : University of Stellenbosch, 1999
B.Sc. (Hons.) Zoology : University of Stellenbosch, 2000
M.Sc. (Conservation Ecology): University of Stellenbosch, 2005
Ph.D. (Medical Bioscience) : University of the Western Cape, 2018

First Aid Class A EMTSS, 2017 Basic Fire Fighting EMTSS, 2017

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY AFFILIATION:

Environmental Assessment Professionals of Namibia (Practitioner)

AREAS OF EXPERTISE:

Knowledge and expertise in:

- ♦ Water Sampling, Extractions and Analysis
- Biomonitoring and Bioassays
- **♦** Biodiversity Assessment
- ♦ Toxicology
- ♦ Restoration Ecology

EMPLOYMENT:

2013-Date : Geo Pollution Technologies – Environmental Scientist

2005-2012 : Lecturer, University of Namibia

2001-2004 : Laboratory Technician, University of Namibia

PUBLICATIONS:

Publications: 5
Contract Reports +150
Research Reports & Manuals: 5
Conference Presentations: 1

ENVIRONMENTAL GEOLOGIST

Wikus Coetzer

Wikus has 6 years' experience in environmental science related fields with 4 years' experience in conducting environmental impact assessments and preparation of environmental management plans. He holds an honours degree in Environmental Sciences – Environmental Geology from the Northwest-University Potchefstroom (NWU) South Africa. He first completed a B.Sc. degree in Geology and Botany in the required time also from the Northwest University Potchefstroom, South Africa. His honours project focused on the rehabilitation and phytoremediation of various tailings types and soils.

He has working experience as an environmental monitor / assisting environmental officer at Petra Diamonds, Cullinan Diamond Mine (CDM) where he gained a proper understanding of environmental monitoring responsibilities as well as legislations, regulations and the implementation of EMS/ISO14001. He started working at Geo Pollution Technologies in 2017, and regularly conducts/assists and report on environmental impact assessments, environmental management plans and pollution surveys.

CURRICULUM VITAE WIKUS COETZER

Name of Firm : Geo Pollution Technologies (Pty) Ltd.

Name of Staff : WIKUS COETZER
Profession : Environmental Geologist

Nationality : South African

Position : Environmental Geologist

Specialisation : Environmental Geology/ Geochemistry
Languages : Afrikaans – speaking, reading, writing
English – speaking, reading, writing

EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL STATUS:

B.Sc. Environmental and Biological Sciences – Geology & Botany

B.Sc. (Hons.) Environmental Sciences – Environmental Geology

: NWU Potchefstroom 2013

: NWU Potchefstroom 2014

First Aid Class A EMTSS, 2017 Basic Fire Fighting EMTSS, 2017

AREAS OF EXPERTISE:

Knowledge and expertise in:

- **♦** Phytoremediation
- ♦ Environmental Geology / Geochemistry
- Environmental Monitoring
- Environmental Compliance
- **♦** Environmental Impact Assessments
- ♦ Environmental Management Plans

EMPLOYMENT:

2017 - Date: Geo Pollution Technologies

2015 - 2016: Petra Diamonds CDM – Environmental monitor / Assisting environmental officer

2015: Petra Diamonds CDM – Graduate program: Environmental Officer

2014: NWU Potchefstroom department of Geo and Spatial Sciences – Research assistant

PUBLICATIONS:

Contract Reports: +60