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Dear Sir,

Re: Environmental Clearance for the Proposed Onuno-Ondjiva 132kv Transmission Line, Ohangwena Region

Thank you for your submission of the Environmental Assessment and Management Plan for the above-mentioned project. The assessment done is considered sufficient as it takes into account the key environmental issues concerning the proposed activities. It is recommended that once the project is implemented, regular environmental monitoring and possible improvements, should be conducted.

In view of the environmental sensitivity of the area, the MET reserves the right to attach further regulatory conditions during the operational phase of the project. From this perspective, we issue the clearance with the following conditions:

- (a) all key stakeholders, particularly the Directorate of Forestry in the Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Forestry; must be properly consulted and their consent taken into account prior to any construction activities;
- (b) any persons to be resettled must not be resettled against their will and all resettlement procedures must be complied with;

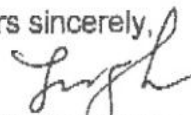
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- (b) any persons to be resettled must not be resettled against their will and all resettlement procedures must be complied with;
- (c) any tree-bearing fruits must be treated with great care to ensure their sustainability, and a plan to re-plant them must be implemented if affected by the project;
- (d) a monitoring and reporting plan of the effects of the transmission line on birds within the Oshana zone of the line must be instituted; and
- (e) transmission polls within the Oshana water-body medium must be constructed in a manner that is not harmful to the ecological biodiversity of the ecosystem.

On the basis of the above, this letter serves as an Environmental Clearance for the project to proceed. However, this clearance does not in any way hold the Ministry of Environment and Tourism accountable for any wrong or insufficient information, nor any adverse effects that may arise from this project's activities. Instead, full accountability rests with the developer and his/her consultants.

Thank you once again for your kind co-operation.

Yours sincerely,


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Permanent Secretary

