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Mr. Sikongo Haihambo
The Executive Director
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RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (ESAI) PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED SEAWEED AQUACULTURE FARM AND ITS ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE (PONDS, SOLAR PV, 2 WIND TURBINES, WATER SUPPLY PIPELINES AND A PRODUCTION FACILITY), LOCATED IN WLOTZKASBAKEN, ERONGO REGION, NAMIBIA

The Ministry has reviewed the Environmental and Social Scoping Report (ESIA) submitted by I.N.K Enviro Consultants on behalf of Scorpio Alternative Fuels Namibia Pty Ltd, in support of an application for Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) for the operations proposed in above subject matter.

The Ministry recommends that an Environmental Clearance Certificate is granted with the below stipulated conditions, as we do not foresee adverse environmental impacts from the proposed activities

1. The use of veterinarian drugs and their residues on the seaweed and their feed must align to national laws and international Codex Alimentarius standards to ensure food safety and prevent health risks from harmful residues.
2. Sources of the stock of aquatic organisms for cultivation, is subjected to veterinary import permit and all necessary documentations.

3. Staff members from the relevant competent authorities must be granted access to conduct site visits to inspect the projects operational processes periodically and / or as the need arises.
4. Hard copies of environmental monitoring reports must be submitted to the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform (MAFWLR), Directorates Marine Ecosystem and Fisheries Research (DMEFR) and Aquaculture and Inland Fisheries (DAIF) on a six-month basis. Soft copies to be submitted via e-mail to: latoya.shivute@mfmr.gov.na and heidi.skrypzeck@mfmr.gov.na

I thank you for your understanding and consideration of this recommendation.

Yours sincerely

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Ms. Ndiyakupi Nghituwamata
Executive Director
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Dear Ms. Nghituwamata,

SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (ESIA) PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED SEAWEED AQUACULTURE FARM AND ITS ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE (PONDS, SOLAR PV, 2X WIND TURBINES, WATER SUPPLY PIPELINES AND A PRODUCTION FACILITY), LOCATED IN WLOTZKASBAKEN, ERONGO REGION, NAMIBIA.

This letter serves to request the Ministry of Agriculture, Water, Fisheries and Land Reform (MAWFLR), as the competent authority, to kindly provide comments/input/consent to the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (MEFT), for the above-mentioned project.

I.N.K Enviro Consultants cc (I.N.K), an independent firm of environmental consultants, was appointed by Skorpio Alternative Fuels Namibia (Pty) Ltd to undertake the Environmental Impact Assessment Process for the proposed seaweed aquaculture project.

Attached to this letter, is the ESIA Reports. MEFT indicated to I.N.K that comments/consent from MAWFLR as the competent authority is required prior to MEFT making a decision on the Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) application, hence this consent request letter.

I hope the above is in order. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any further information.

Yours Sincerely,

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CC: Ms. Graca de Almeida, Director: Resource Management

CC: Ms. La Toya Shivute, National Marine Information and Research Centre, Swakopmund

Dear Mr. Teofilus Nghitila Executive Director for Water and Marine Resources, Vote 38.

SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (ESIA) PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED SEAWEED AQUACULTURE FARM AND ITS ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE (PONDS, SOLAR PV, 2X WIND TURBINES, WATER SUPPLY PIPELINES AND A PRODUCTION FACILITY), LOCATED IN WLOTZKASBAKEN, ERONGO REGION, NAMIBIA.

The above subject matter refers.

I.N.K Enviro Consultants cc (I.N.K) is hereby resubmitting a request for a recommendation letter request to the Ministry of Agriculture, Water, Fisheries and Land Reform (MAWFLR), as the competent authority, to kindly provide comments/input to the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (MEFT), for the above-mentioned project.

The initial recommendation letter request and supporting documents (hard copies) for the project was sent and received on 21 August 2025 by MAWFLR as per the attached documents. Upon consultations with the relevant offices, it was indicated that I.N.K is required to resubmit the consent request as the previous submission was not received by the Director: Resource Management, hence this letter.

The softcopy documents have already been made available to MAWFLR - National Marine Information and Research Centre office in Swakopmund.

I hope the above is in order. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any further information.

Yours Sincerely,

Immanuel N. Katali:

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SEAWEED AQUACULTURE PILOT PROJECT

ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (ESIA) REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF LAND-BASED SEAWEED AQUACULTURE PONDS

WLOTZKASBAKEN SETTLEMENT, ERONGO REGION, NAMIBIA

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