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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES

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**NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998
(ACT NO. 107 OF 1998)****IDENTIFICATION OF A GENERIC ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME RELEVANT TO AN APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OR EXPANSION OF GAS TRANSMISSION PIPELINE INFRASTRUCTURE**

I, Barbara Dallas Creecy, Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, hereby publish as an environmental management instrument in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), a *Generic Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) for Gas Transmission Pipeline Infrastructure (2020)* relevant to an application for environmental authorisation for gas transmission pipeline infrastructure which is located below ground, or above-ground for the purpose of connecting to above-ground infrastructure such as pigging stations or compressor stations, and the expansion of such facilities as set out in the Schedule hereto.

This generic environmental management programme fulfills the requirement of section 24N(1A) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), and is a generic environmental management programme as contemplated in regulations 19(4) and 23(4) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended.



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MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT**

SCHEDULE

1. An application for environmental authorisation for gas transmission pipeline infrastructure or the expansion of such infrastructure, where such infrastructure is located below ground, or above-ground for the purpose of connecting to above-ground infrastructure such as pigging stations or compressor stations, submitted in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended, where such infrastructure triggers-
 - (a) activity 60(i) and (ii) of Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations Listing Notice 1 of 2014, as amended; or
 - (b) activity 7(i) and (ii) of Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations Listing Notice 2 of 2014, as amended;

and any listed or specified activity necessary for the realisation of such infrastructure, must use the *Generic Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) for Gas Transmission Pipeline Infrastructure (2020)* to comply with the requirements of regulations 19(4), 23(4) and Appendix 4 to the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended.

2. Any amendments to the *Generic Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) for Gas Transmission Pipeline Infrastructure (2020)* will be required to be consulted on through the publication for comment in the *Government Gazette*.
3. The document can be accessed at https://www.environment.gov.za/projectprogrammes/environmental_management_instruments
4. Hard copies of the document can also be requested from the Department's Call Centre at +27 86 111 2468