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Attention: Stakeholder

VIA: Email circulation

RE: DRAFT MOTIVATION REPORT FOR THE ADOPTION OF NORMS & STANDARDS FOR THE TREATMENT OF ORGANIC WASTE

Cape Environmental Assessment Practitioners (*Cape EAPrac*) has been appointed by the **Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit** (GIZ) to facilitate the development of a Motivation for Norms & Standards document for the treatment of organic waste in South Africa. This process is being undertaken in terms of Chapter 5 of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA, Act 107 of 1998 as amended), the National Environmental Management: Waste Act (Act 59 of 2008), Regulation 9 of GN 634 dated 23 August 2013 and the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act (NEM:AQA, Act 39 of 2004).

The Motivation Report serves to provide information to the national Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) in support of the development of a Norms & Standards for the Treatment of Organic Waste which will provide a legal framework for operators for the treatment of organic waste without having to undertake potentially onerous and expensive licensing / permitting processes. The intent is not to avoid regulation but rather to apply the same standards across the board for treatment / technologies which have similar environmental impacts without putting undue pressure on the departmental capacity, whilst stimulating private sector involvement in the green economy and help reduce waste to landfill.

DEA requested that the reports be made available to key stakeholders prior to submission to them for consideration. The department will undertake further circulation via the Government Gazette during their assessment period.

As an identified stakeholder, you are hereby notified of the availability of the Draft Motivation Report with accompanying Norms & Standards for public review extending from **16 October to 16 November 2017**. The reports are available on the Cape EAPrac website at www.cape-eaprac.co.za or on request from the contact below. Please submit any comment in writing to the following:

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Any comments received will be included in a Public Participation Report which will be submitted to DEA with the Motivation Report by the end of November 2017.

Should you have access to any platforms that may have an interest in this initiative, please feel free to share this notification in order to ensure participation across the board.

Kind regards,


Melissa Mackay

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