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**AWTORITÀ TA' MALTA DWAR L-AMBJENT  
U L-IPPJANAR**

**MALTA ENVIRONMENT AND  
PLANNING AUTHORITY**

**Notifika dwar l-Eżenzjoni minn Studju  
tal-Impatt Ambjentali**

**Notification of Exemption of Environmental  
Planning Statement**

BI qbil mar-Regolament 3(8) tar-Regolamenti tal-2007 dwar l-Istima tal-Impatt fuq l-Ambjent (Avviz Legali 114 tal-2007), u minhabba li l-Awtorità ta' Malta dwar l-Ambjent u l-Ippjanar jidhrilha li l-proposta mhux probabbli li jkollha impatti sinifikanti fuq l-ambjent, id-Direttur għall-Farsien tal-Ambjent jaqbel li l-proposta ma teħtieġ Studju dwar l-Impatt Ambjentali (EPS).

IN conformity with Regulation 3(8) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations (Legal Notice 114 of 2007), and in view of the fact that MEPA has determined that the proposal is unlikely to have significant environmental impacts, the Director of Environment Protection agrees that the proposal does not require the preparation of an Environmental Planning Statement (EPS).

Id-Deskrizzjoni tal-Proġett (PDS) li giet ippreżentata bhala parti mill-applikazzjoni kkunsidrat b'mod suffiċjenti l-kwistjonijiet li jolqtu l-ambjent u għaldaqstant it-thejjija ta' studju dwar l-impatt ambjentali mhux se żżid informazzjoni ġdida peress li l-Awtorità għandha l-informazzjoni kollha meħtieġa sabiex tiddeciedi dwar din l-applikazzjoni. Skont l-informazzjoni li giet ippreżentata fid-Deskrizzjoni tal-Proġett (PDS) u fil-valutazzjoni li saret skont l-Iskeda IB tal-istess Regolamenti, ma jidhirx li l-proposta se jkollha impatti sinifikanti fuq l-ambjent.

The Project Description Statement (PDS) presented as part of the application has considered the environmental issues in a sufficient manner such that the preparation of an EPS would not add any new information and MEPA has all the necessary information to determine the application. From the information presented in the PDS and screening according to Schedule IB of the same Regulations, the proposal is not likely to have significant environmental effects.

Ġustifikazzjoni dettaljata tinstab hawn taħt:  
*A detailed justification is presented below:*

Numru ta' Riferenza: TRK 157839 [EA00039/15]

Post: Sm 28 , Triq Tas-Sejba, L-Imqabba, Malta

Proposta: Formazzjoni ta' rampa ġdida ġo barriera eżistenti u propost kostruzzjoni ta' mħażen u pannelli solari sovrastanti.

*Reference Number: TRK157839 [EA00039/15]*

*Location: Sm 28 , Triq Tas-Sejba, Mqabba, Malta*

*Proposal: Formation of new ramp to existing quarry and proposed construction of warehouses and overlying solar panels.*

Dawn l-effetti potenzjali fuq l-ambjent, flimkien ma' numru ta' miżuri biex jitaffa l-impatt, ġew identifikati fid-Deskrizzjoni tal-Proġett (PDS) li kien sottomess lill-Awtorità fit-3 ta' Novembru, 2015 u fil-ġustifikazzjoni għall-eżenzjoni mill-Istudju dwar l-Impatt Ambjentali li giet sottomessa fl-1 ta' Diċembru, 2015.

The following potential environmental impacts were identified and mitigation measures proposed in the Project Description Statement (PDS) submitted to MEPA on 3rd November, 2015 and the justification for proposal from carrying out an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) submitted on 1st December, 2015.

Impatt Potenzjali  
*Potential Impacts*

Rimarki fuq miżuri biex jittaffa l-impatt, eċċ.  
*Remarks on mitigation measures, etc.*

Hoġqien ta' skart

Il-proġett se jiġġenera skart kemm waqt il-kostruzzjoni kif ukoll waqt l-operat. Matul il-fażi tal-kostruzzjoni, l-iskart ser jiġi ġġenerat fi kwantitajiet mhux meqjusa bhala sinifikanti. Waqt l-operat, l-attivitajiet fuq is-sit mhumiex mistennija li jiġġeneraw ammonti sinifikanti ta' skart minhabba n-natura tal-proposta. Ebda skart perikoluż ma huwa previst.

<i>Waste generation</i>	<i>The project will generate waste during both construction and operation. Waste generated during the construction phase is not considered to be significant. During operation, the activities on site are not expected to generate significant amounts of waste given the nature of the proposal. No hazardous waste is envisaged.</i>
Impatt fuq il-kwalità tal-arja	Waqt il-kostruzzjoni, huwa mistenni li jitqanqlu xi trabijiet mit-tindif u mit-tħaffir tas-sit, u emissjonijiet ta' Nitrogen Oxide (NOx) minn inġenji tqal. Madankollu, l-ebda impatt sinifikanti m'hu mistenni minħabba li ma hemmx riċetturi sensitivi fiż-żona ta' madwar l-iżvilupp u dment li r-Regolamenti fuq il-Ġestjoni Ambjentali ta' Sit tal-Kostruzzjoni (Avviż Legali 295 ta' 2007) jiġu osservati. Waqt l-operat, il-proposta mhix mistennija li tiġġenera ammont konsiderevoli ta' traffiku. Impatti ġġenerati mill-imħazen jistgħu jitnaqqsu permezz ta' disinn xieraq, ġestjoni xierqa ta' skart u miżuri li jistgħu jiġu ġestiti permezz ta' registrazzjoni ambjentali.
<i>Impact on air quality</i>	<i>During construction, fugitive dust from site clearance and excavation, and Nitrogen Oxide (NOx) emissions from construction vehicles are expected. However, no significant impact is envisaged given that there are no particular sensitive receptors in the area of influence of the development and as long as the Environmental Management Construction Site Regulations (Legal Notice 295 of 2007) are adhered to. During operation, the proposal is not expected to generate a considerable amount of traffic during operation. Impacts generated from the warehouses can be sufficiently mitigated through proper design, adequate waste management and measures which could be managed through environmental registration.</i>
Storbju u vibrazzjonijiet	L-istorbju u l-vibrazzjonijiet waqt il-kostruzzjoni huma mistennija li jiġu limitati għal dawk normalment assoċjati ma' attivitajiet normali f'siti ta' kostruzzjoni. Waqt il-fażi tal-operat, l-istorbju u vibrazzjonijiet mhumiex mistennija li jkunu sostanzjali. Madankollu, kwalunkwe impatt jista' jittaffa b' mod suffiċjenti permezz ta' miżuri li jistgħu jiġu ġestiti permezz ta' permess ambjentali.
<i>Noise and vibrations</i>	<i>Noise and vibration during construction are expected to be limited to those typically associated with normal construction site activities. During operation, noise and vibrations are not expected to be substantial. Furthermore, any impacts can be mitigated sufficiently through measures which could be managed by means of an environmental permit.</i>
Kwalità tal-Ilma	Is-sit jaqa' f' <i>drinking water safeguarding zone</i> . Il-proġett jista' jżid ir-riskju ta' kontaminazzjoni tal-ilma permezz tar-rilaxx potenzjali ta' ilmiġiet kontaminati fl-ilma tal-pjan. Għalhekk, disinn xieraq u miżuri operattivi għandhom jiżguraw li ma jkunx hemm riskji ta' kontaminazzjoni ta' l-art jew ilma minn ħruġ ta' inkwinanti.
<i>Water Quality</i>	<i>The site falls within a drinking water safeguarding zone. The project may further increase the risk of contamination of water through the potential release of contaminated waters into the underlying aquifer. Therefore, appropriate design and operational measures should ensure that there are no risks of land or water contamination from releases of pollutants.</i>
Impatt permezz ta' dawl	Matul il-lejl, huma mistennija emissjonijiet ta' dawl aktar minn dak li diġà hemm bħalissa. Madankollu, dawn jistgħu jitnaqqsu bl-użu ta' lampi li jixhtu d-dawl 'l isfel, u billi l-ammont ta' dawl matul il-lejl jitnaqqas għal livelli minimi.
<i>Light pollution</i>	<i>During night time, light emissions above the current baseline situation are expected. Nevertheless, these may be reduced through the use of down-lighters and minimisation of nocturnal lighting.</i>

Minkejja dan imsemmi hawn fuq, l-Awtorità ta' Malta dwar l-Ambjent u l-Ippjanar iżzomm id-dritt li titlob lill-applikant li jissottometti informazzjoni oħra kif jista' jkun meħtieġ biex tiegħu deċiżjoni dwar l-applikazzjoni.

Notwithstanding the above, the Malta Environmental and Planning Authority reserves the right to request the applicant to submit additional information as may be necessary to determine the application.