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**L-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**

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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 ipprezentata 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 jżid informazzjoni għida peress li l-Awtorità għandha l-informazzjoni kollha meħtieġa sabiex tiddeċiedi dwar din l-applikazzjoni. Skont l-informazzjoni li giet ipprezentata fid-Deskrizzjoni tal-Proġett (PDS) u fil-valutazzjoni li saret skont l-Iskeda IB tal-istess Regolamenti, ma jidhrix 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 taht:

A detailed justification is presented below:

Numru ta' Riferenza: PA05501/08

Reference Number: PA05501/08

Post: Sit f'Ta' Alla u Ommu, Wied Filep, Limiti tan-Naxxar

Location: Site at Ta' Alla u Ommu, Wied Filep, Limits of Naxxar

Proposta: *Masterplan* għar-rilokazzjoni ta' impjant minn Barriera 15

Proposal: Masterplan for the relocation of plant from Quarry 15

Dawn l-effetti potenzjali fuq l-ambjent, flimkien ma' numru ta' miżuri biex jittaffa l-impatt, ġew identifikati fid-Deskrizzjoni tal-Proġett (PDS) li kien sottomess lill-Awtorità fl-20 ta' Ottubru 2014 u fil-ġustifikazzjoni għall-eżenzjoni mill-Istudju dwar l-Impatt Ambjentali li giet sottomessa fil-20 ta' Novembru 2014.

The following potential environmental impacts were identified and mitigation measures proposed in the Project Description Statement (PDS) submitted to MEPA on the 20th October 2014 and the justification for proposal from carrying out an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) submitted on 20th November 2014.

**Impatti potenzjali  
Potential Impacts**

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

Holqien ta' skart

Il-proġett se jiġġenera skart kemm waqt il-kostruzzjoni kif ukoll waqt l-operat. Matul il-fażi tal-kostruzzjoni, skart inert se jiġi ġġenerat fi kwantitajiet mhux meqjusa bhala sinifikanti. Waqt l-operat, l-attivitajiet fuq is-sit mhumiex mistennija li jiġġeneraw ammonti sinifikanti ta' skart municijali. Kull skart perikoluż se jiġi ttrattat jew mormi skont il-permess tal-konsenja tal-iskart perikoluż.

Waste generation

*The project will generate waste during both construction and operation. Inert waste generated during the construction phase is not considered to be significant. During operation, activities on site are not expected to generate significant amounts of municipal waste. Any hazardous waste will be treated or disposed of in accordance with the hazardous waste consignment permit.*

Impatt fuq il-kwalità tal-arja	Waqt il-kostruzzjoni, huwa mistenni li jitqanqlu xi trabijiet mit-tindif u mit-thaffir tas-sit, u emissjonijiet ta' <i>Nitrogen Oxide (NO)</i> minn vetturi tqal. Madankollu, l-ebda impatt sinjifikattiv mhu mistenni minħabba li ma hemmx riċetturi sensitivi fiż-żona tal-madwar mill-iżvilupp u dment li r-Regolamenti fuq il-Gestjoni Ambjentali ta' Sit tal-Kostruzzjoni (Avviż Legali 295 ta' 2007) jiġu osservati. Waqt l-operat, se jinholqu trabijiet u f'ħruġ ta' <i>Nitrogen Oxide (NO)</i> matul l-operat tal-impjant u mit-traffiku. It-tqanqil ta' trabijiet waqt l-operat jistgħu jitnaqqsu biżżejjed permezz ta' ddisinjar xieraq tal-impjant, ġestjoni xierqa tal-iskart u miżuri oħra li jistgħu jiġu ġestiti permezz ta' permess tal-operat. <i>Nitrogen Oxide (NO)</i> mit-traffiku operattiv mhux mistenni li jkun sinifikanti.
<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, dust will be generated during plant operation and from traffic. Dust generation during operation can be sufficiently abated through proper plant design, adequate waste management and other measures which could be managed through an operational permit. Nitrogen Oxide (NOx) from operational traffic is not expected to be significant.</i>
Storbju u vibrazzjonijiet	L-istorbju u l-vibrazzjonijiet waqt il-kostruzzjoni huma mistennija li jiġu limitati għal daww normalment assoċjati ma' attivitajiet normali f'siti ta' kostruzzjoni. Matul l-operat, l-istorbju u l-vibrazzjoni huma mistennija mill-magni fl-impjant propost ( <i>stone crusher, batching plant</i> ). Madankollu, dawn mhux se jipprezentaw l-ebda impatt partikolari meta mqabbel mas-sitwazzjoni li diġà teżisti fil-madwar. Barra minn hekk, dan l-impatt jista' jittaffa biżżejjed permezz ta' ddisinjar tal-impjant kif suppost u b'miżuri li jistgħu jiġu ġestiti permezz ta' permess tal-operat.
<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 operations, noise and vibration are expected from the various machines within proposed plant (stone crusher, batching plant). However, these will not present any particular impact over and above the currently existing situation in the surrounding area. Furthermore, such impact can be mitigated sufficiently through proper plant design and through measures which could be managed by means of an operational permit.</i>
Qualità' tal-Ilma	Is-sit jinsab fi <i>Drinking-Water Safeguard Zone</i> u biswit Wied il-Għasel. Il-proġett jista' jżid ir-riskju ta' kontaminazzjoni tal-ilma permezz tar-rilaxx potenzjali ta' ilmi kontaminati fil-widien tal-madwar. Għalhekk, disinn xieraq u miżuri operattivi għandhom jiżguraw li ma jkunx hemm riskji ta' kontaminazzjoni ta' art jew ilma minn f'ħruġ ta' inkwinanti.
<i>Water Quality</i>	<i>The site is situated within a Drinking-Water Safeguard Zone and adjacent to Wied il-Għasel valley system. The project may further increase the risk of contamination of water through the potential release of contaminated waters into the surrounding valley system. Therefore, appropriate design and operational measures should ensure that there are no risks of land or water contamination from the release of pollutants.</i>
Impatti fuq il-wirt kulturali	Għalkemm is-sit u l-madwar kienu suġġetti għal disturbji estensivi, hemm il-possibbiltà li jistgħu jinstabu xi fdalijiet arkeoloġiċi u b'hekk tinħtieġ konsultazzjoni mas-Sovrintendenza tal-Patrimonju Kulturali speċjalment dwar il-monitoraġġ tax-xogħlijiet.
<i>Impact on cultural heritage</i>	<i>Although the site and its entire surrounding area have been subjected to extensive disturbance, there is a possibility of archaeological remains being uncovered. Thus consultation with the Superintendence of Cultural Heritage (SCH) is required especially regarding monitoring of on-site works.</i>
Impatt permezz ta' daww	Matul il-lejl, huma mistennija emissjonijiet ta' daww aktar minn daww li diġà hemm bħalissa. Madankollu, dawn jistgħu jitnaqqsu bl-użu ta' lampi li jixhtu d-daww 'l isfel, u billi l-ammont ta' daww 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 dak 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 tiddeċiedi l-applikazzjoni.

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Ġustifikazzjoni dettaljata tinstab hawn taht:

Reference Number: PA 04241/08  
Location: Barriera No. 81, Triq Ta' Wied Hanzir, Siġġiewi  
Proposal: Estensjoni ta' barriera eżistenti

Reference Number: PA 04242/08  
Location: Barriera No. 71, Triq Għal Għar Hanzir, Siġġiewi  
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Kwalità tal-ilma

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

16th January, 2015

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Proposal: Extension to existing quarry

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**Rimarki fuq miżuri biex jittaffa l-impatt, eċċ.  
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Mhumiex mistennija impatti sinifikanti, u l-ġestjoni xierqa ta' materjali li jistgħu jniġġsu (eż. żjut) skont il-proċeduri statutorji għandhom ikunu biżżejjed biex jitnaqqsu l-effetti fuq l-ambjent u fuq l-ilma tal-pjan. Dan l-aspett se jkun infurzat permezz tal-mekkaniżmi tal-permessi ambjentali.