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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 Limitat**

**Notification of Exemption of
Environmental Planning Statement**

SKOND ir-Regolament 3(8) tar-Regolamenti tal-2007 dwar l-Istima tal-Impatt fuq l-Ambjent (Avviż Legali Nru. 114 ta' 2007) rigward l-applikazzjoni msemmija hawn taħt, u minhabba li l-Awtorità ta' Malta dwar l-Ambjent u l-Ippjanar jidhrilha li l-proposta mhux probabbli li għandha impatti sinifikanti fuq l-ambjent. Id-Direttur għall-Harsien tal-Ambjent jaqbel li jeżenta l-applikant milli jhejji Studju dwar l-Impatt Ambjentali limitat (EPS).

IN conformity with Regulation 3 (8) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations (Legal Notice No. 114 of 2007) in respect of the application mentioned hereunder, 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 to exempt the applicant from preparing an Environmental Planning Statement (EPS).

Id-Deskrizzjoni tal-Proġett (PDS) ipprezentata bħala parti mill-applikazzjoni hadet inkonsiderazzjoni b'mod suffiċjenti l-kwistjonijiet li jolqtu l-ambjent u għaldqasant it-tnejn ta' studju dwar l-impatt ambjentali limitat mhux se jzid informazzjoni ġdida u li l-Awtorità għandha l-informazzjoni kollha neċessarja sabiex tiddeċiedi din l-applikazzjoni. Mill-informazzjoni li ġiet ipprezentata d-Deskrizzjoni tal-Proġett (PDS) u l-*screening* li sar skont Skeda IB tal-istess Regolamenti, mhux probabbli li l-proposta għandha 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, the proposal is not likely to have significant environmental effects.

Ġustifikazzjoni dettaljata tinstab hawn taħt:

A detailed justification is presented below:

Numru ta' Riferenza: TK 154618 (EA 00011/14)

Post: Barriera li m'għadhiex tintuża, Triq it-Torri Vincenti, Mqabba, Malta

Proposta: Ri attivazzjoni ta' operazzjoni ta' barriera (barriera li m'għadhiex tintuża 48, parzjalment eżawrita) u depożitu ta' materjal inert (barriera li m'għadhiex tintuża 30).

Reference Number: TK 154618 (EA 00011/14)

Location: Ex Quarry 48, Triq it-Torri Vincenti, Mqabba, Malta

Proposal: Reactivation of quarry operations (ex quarry no. 48 only partially exhausted) and deposit inert material (ex quarry no. 38).

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 fis-26 ta' Marzu 2014 u fil-ġustifikazzjoni għall-eżenzjoni mill-Istudju dwar l-Impatt Ambjentali li ġiet sottomessa fit-12 ta' Ġunju, 2014.

The following potential environmental impacts were identified and mitigation measures proposed in the Project Description Statement (PDS) submitted to MEPA on the 26th March 2014 and the justification for proposal from carrying out an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) submitted on 12th June, 2014.

Impatti potenzjali <i>Potential Impact</i>	Rimarki fuq il-miżuri biex jittaffa l-impatt <i>Remarks on mitigation measures</i>
Trabijiet	Se jittieħdu l-miżuri kollha possibbli biex jitnaqqsu t-trabijiet. Se jithaddmu wkoll miżuri oħra li huma <i>standard</i> għal dan it-tip ta' żvilupp biex jitnaqqsu l-impatti fuq l-inħawi residenzjali viċin tas-sit.
<i>Dust</i>	<i>Practical measures, including planned placement of soil mounds, shall be undertaken to mitigate dust dispersion. Standard mitigation measures will be implemented to limit any impacts on the neighbouring residential area.</i>
Storbju u vibrazzjonijiet	Ix-xogħlijiet proposti se jsiru f'żona fejn hemm barrieri u għalhekk huwa mistenni li mhux se jkun hemm storbju u vibrazzjonijiet sinifikanti. Dawn l-impatti se jkomplu jittaffew permezz ta' miżuri msemmijin fir-Regolamenti tal-2007 dwar l-Immaniġġar Ambjentali tas-Siti tal-Kostruzzjoni, u dan speċjalment fir-rigward għall-inħawi residenzjali viċin tas-sit.
<i>Noise and vibration</i>	<i>The proposed works will be located within an area recognisant of quarry activity, and thus significant noise and vibrations are not envisaged. Noise abatement measures in accordance with the Environmental Management Construction Site Regulations, 2007 (L.N. 295 of 2007) shall further minimize any impacts, and this with special regard to the neighbouring residential area.</i>
Tniġġis tal-ilma	Se jkun meħtieġ permess ambjentali sabiex jiġi żgurat li jintuża biss skart inert meta tintradam il-barriera, biex b'hekk ma jkunx hemm riskji ta' tniġġis tal-ilma. Għaldaqstant, 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-mekkanizmi tal-permessi ambjentali.
<i>Water contamination</i>	<i>An environmental permit will be required to ensure that only inert waste is used for quarry infilling, thus avoiding risks of water contamination. Otherwise, no significant impacts are envisaged, and the proper management of potential pollutants (e.g. oils) in accordance with statutory procedures is expected to be sufficient to minimise effects on the environment and on groundwater. This aspect will be enforced through the environmental permitting mechanism.</i>

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