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**AWTORIT  GĦALL-AMBJENT U R-RIZORSI
(ERA)**

**Notifika dwar l-Eżenzjoni minn Dikjarazzjoni dwar
l-Ippjanar Ambjentali**

Bi qbil mar-Regolament 3(8) tar-Regolamenti tal-2007 dwar l-Istima tal-Impatt fuq l-Ambjent (L.S. 549.46) fir-rigward tal-applikazzjoni msemmija hawn taht, l-Awtorit  għall-Ambjent u r-Rizorsi jidhrilha li l-proposta mhux probabbli li tirriżulta f'impatti ambjentali li jistgħu jiġu indirizzati b'mod effettiv fl-Istudju dwar l-Impatt Ambjentali. Għalhekk, id-Direttur tal-Ambjent u r-Rizorsi jaqbel li l-proposta ma tehtiġx Dikjarazzjoni dwar l-Ippjanar Ambjentali (EPS). Dan huwa mingħajr preġudizzju għall-obbligi ambjentali li huma speċifikati fil-kundizzjonijiet tal-proġett propost.

Id-Deskrizzjoni tal-Proġett (PDS) li giet ipprezentata bħala parti mill-applikazzjoni kkunsidrat b'mod suffiċjenti l-kwistjonijiet li jolqtu l-ambjent u għaldaqstant it-tnejjja ta' Dikjarazzjoni dwar l-Ippjanar Ambjentali mhux se  zid informazzjoni  dida peress li l-Awtorit  għall-Ambjent u r-Rizorsi għandha l-informazzjoni kollha meħtieġa sabiex tiddeċiedi dwar din l-applikazzjoni, kif  ie konkluz fl-*screening* tal-proġett skont l-Iskeda IB tal-istess Regolamenti.

 ustifikazzjoni dettaljata tinstab hawn taht:

Numru ta' Riferenza: PA/02324/16 (EA 00010/17)
Post: Sit fi, (barriera eżistenti mhux użata), *Cul de sac* minn Triq il-Maddorbu, ix-Xaġhri l-Imqalleb, L-Imqabba, Malta

Proposta: Sanzjonar tal-użu ta' barriera mhux użata għar-riċiklar u hażna ta' materjal inert.

Dawn l-effetti potenzjali fuq l-ambjent, flimkien ma' numru ta' miżuri biex jittaffa l-impatt,  ew identifikati fid-Deskrizzjoni tal-Proġett (PDS). Il-PDS flimkien mal- ustifikazzjoni għall-eżenzjoni mill-Istudju dwar l-Impatt Ambjentali  ew sottomessi lill-Awtorit  għall-Ambjent u r-Rizorsi fl-20 ta' Marzu, 2017 u l-15 ta' Mejju, 2017 rispettivament.

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**ENVIRONMENT AND RESOURCES
AUTHORITY**

**Notification of Exemption from Environmental
Planning Statement**

In conformity with Regulation 3(8) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2007 (S.L. 549.46) with respect to the application mentioned hereunder, the Environment and Resources Authority has determined that the proposal is unlikely to result in environmental impacts that can be effectively addressed in an Environmental Impact Assessment. Therefore, the Director of Environment and Resources agrees that the proposal does not require the preparation of an Environmental Planning Statement (EPS). This is without prejudice to the environmental obligations being specified in the proposed project conditions.

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 the Environment and Resources Authority has all the necessary information to determine the application, as concluded in the project screening according to Schedule IB of the same Regulations.

A detailed justification is presented below:

Reference Number: PA/02324/16 (EA/00010/17)
Location: Site at (existing disused quarry), *Cul de sac* off Triq il-Maddorbu, ix-Xaġhri l-Imqalleb, Mqabba, Malta

Proposal: Sanctioning of use of disused quarry for recycling and storage of inert material.

The following potential environmental impacts were identified and mitigation measures proposed in the Project Description Statement (PDS) and the justification for exemption from carrying out an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) were submitted to the Environment and Resources Authority on the 20th March, 2017, and on the 15th May, 2017, respectively.

Impatti potenzjali <i>Potential Impact</i>	Rimarki fuq miżura biex jittaffa l-impatt, eċċ. <i>Remarks on mitigation measures, etc.</i>
Użu tal-art <i>Land Use</i>	Is-sit jinsab barra ż-żona ta' żvilupp u huwa mdawwar b'barrieri oħra u art agrikola. Is-sit huwa barriera mhux użata u se tintuża għal attivitajiet relatati. L-ebda impatti sinifikanti ma huma previsti fuq l-użu tal-art. <i>The site is located outside development zone (ODZ) and is surrounded by other quarries and agricultural land. The site is a disused quarry and is to be used for related activities. No significant impacts are envisaged on the land use.</i>
Idroloġija <i>Hydrology</i>	Is-sit jinstab fi 'Ground Water Safeguard Zone'. Waqt l-operazzjoni, l-ilma tal-wiċċ se jkun immaniġġat b'mod li jiġu evitati <i>overspills</i> u <i>runoff</i> mis-sit, b'hekk impatti fuq l-ilma tal-pjan mhux mistenni li jkunu sinifikanti. <i>The site falls within the Ground Water Safeguard Zone. During operation, surface water will be managed to avoid any overspills and runoff from the site, thus potential groundwater contamination is not expected to be significant.</i>
Pajsaġġ u degradazzjonijiet viżivi <i>Landscape and visual amenity</i>	Is-sit jinsab barra miż-żona ta' żvilupp u jaqa' barra miż-Żona tal-Barrieri tal-Imqabba (M40) fil-Pjan Lokali għan-Nofsinar ta' Malta, f'post 'il bogħod minn zoni residenzjali. L-iżvilupp mhux mistenni li jkun jidher miż-żoni fil-viċinanzi, speċjalment meta wiehed jinnota attivitajiet oħra relatati ma' barrieri fil-viċinanzi immedjati tas-sit. <i>The site is located Outside the Development Zone (ODZ) and falls outside the Mqabba Quarry Area (M40) in the South Malta Local Plan, at a distant location from residential areas. The development will not likely be visible from nearby areas, especially when noting quarrying activities in the immediate vicinity of the site.</i>
Storbju u vibrazzjoni <i>Noise and Vibration</i>	Waqt l-operat, storbju u vibrazzjonijiet mhumiex mistennija li jkunu sostanzjali. Barra minn hekk, ir-Regolamenti dwar l-Immaniġġar Ambjentali tas-Sit tal-Kostruzzjoni, 2007 (Legiżlazzjoni Sussidjarja 552.09) huma meħtieġa li jiġu segwiti. <i>During operation, noise and vibrations are not expected to be substantial. Furthermore, the Environmental Management Construction Site Regulations (Subsidiary Legislation 552.09) are required to be adhered to.</i>
Kwalità tal-arja <i>Air quality</i>	Waqt l-operat, l-iproċessar tal-iskart inert u l-ħażna tiegħu se jiġġenera xi trabijiet. Madankollu l-ebda impatt sinifikanti mhuwa previst minħabba l-iskala tal-proġett propost. Ir-Regolamenti dwar l-Immaniġġar Ambjentali tas-Sit tal-Kostruzzjoni, 2007 (Legiżlazzjoni Sussidjarja 552.09) huma meħtieġa li jiġu segwiti. Matul l-operat, l-emissjonijiet se jiddependu fuq l-attivitajiet li se jitwettqu f'kull garaxx industrijali. Il-fażi operattiva tal-proġett mhix probabbli li tirriżulta f'volum tat-traffiku għoli. <i>During operation, fugitive dust from the processing of inert material and stockpiling is expected. However, no significant impact is envisaged given the scale of the proposed project. The Environmental Management Construction Site Regulations (Subsidiary Legislation 552.09) are required to be adhered to. During operation, emissions will depend on activities taking place in each industrial garage. The operational phase of the project is not likely to result in high traffic volumes.</i>
Skart <i>Waste</i>	L-operat huwa mistenni li jiġġenera xi skart residwu f'ammonti żgħar mill-ipproċessar fis-sit, kif ukoll skart ta' vetturi u dak elettroniku, iġġenerat mill-użu u l-manutenzjoni tal-impjanti/vetturi. Dawn l-attivitajiet mhux mistennija li jiġġeneraw ammont sinifikanti ta' skart. Konformità mar-regolamenti u l-ġestjoni tal-iskart u l-adozzjoni tal-aħjar Prattika fir-rigward tal-ġestjoni tal-iskart se jiżguraw tnaqqis ta' skart. <i>The operation is expected to generate residual waste from the onsite processing in small volumes; and any vehicle and electrical parts, generated from the use and maintenance of plant/vehicles. These activities are not expected to generate significant amounts of waste. Compliance with waste management regulations and the adoption of best practice in relation to operational waste management will ensure minimisation of waste.</i>

Minkejja dak li jissemma hawn fuq, l-Awtorità għall-Ambjent u r-Riżorsi żżomm id-dritt li titlob lill-applikant li jissottometti informazzjoni oħra kif jista' jkun meħtieġ biex tinforma l-proċess tad-deċiżjoni.

Notwithstanding the above, the Environment and Resources Authority reserves the right to request the applicant to submit additional information as may be necessary to inform the decision making process.