Date: 6 October 2025

Mr Raymond Fenech,
Spinola Development Company Limited,
Tumas Group Corporate Office,
Level 3, Portomaso Business Tower,
St. Julians,
Malta

Permit Number: EP 00117/20
Location: Hilton Malta, Portomaso Avenue, St. Julians
Permitted Activity: Hotel installation with discharge to sea

Clearance in Terms of the *Environmental Permitting (Procedure for Applications and their Determination) Regulations*

Dear Mr Fenech,

Reference is made to regulation 35 of the *Environmental Permitting (Procedure for Applications and their Determination) Regulations* (S.L. 549.172), in which permitted operations within the scope of Schedule 2 are deemed to be authorised.

In this regard, your operation has been covered by an environmental permit before the entry into force of these regulations, hence, the validity of the permit that covers your operation is hereby being extended until **19th July 2029.**

This extension is subject to the following conditions and shall supersede any conditions on the same matter in the permit that may regulate the same aspect:

- **A renewal application is submitted by January 2029.**
- **Table S1.5 in Schedule 1 shall be replaced with the table in Annex 1.**
- **Condition 2.1.29 and table 2.1.4 shall be replaced with the following:**

2.1.29 Monitoring of E1, E2, E3 and E7 prior to discharge to sea shall be carried out on an annual basis for the parameters listed in Table 2.1.4. Sampling with replicates for E1, E2 and E7 shall take place at least three (3) times during the year and is to reflect seasonal and operational variations. Sampling with replicates for E3 shall take place at least four (4) times during the year on a quarterly basis.

Table 2.1.4: Emission limits to the marine environment				
Emission point reference		**Parameter**	**Limit**	**Frequency**
E1 and E2	Brine reject waters and Cooling water (sea water) from the chillers	Temperature	5°C above ambient at outlet	Minimum of 3 sampling exercises with replicates shall take place once between December and February, once in May or October and once in July or August.
		pH	6 - 10	
		Total dissolved solids (TDS)	N/A mg/L	
		Salinity	N/A (psu)	
		Dissolved oxygen	N/A (% Saturation O_2)	
E3[1]	Sewage treatment plant final product and Storm-water reservoir	Biological oxygen demand (BOD)	25 mg/L O_2	Minimum of 4 sampling exercises with replicates per annum, taken on a quarterly basis. This sampling frequency is subject to revision by the Authority following the submission of the results for a whole year.
		Chemical oxygen demand (COD)	125 mg/L O_2	
		Total suspended solids (TSS)	35 mg/L	
		Total Nitrogen	15 mg/L N (10, 000 – 100,000 p. e.) 10 mg/L N (more than 100,000 p.e.)	
		Total Phosphorus	2 mg/L P (10,000 – 100,000 p.e.) 1 mg/L P (more than 100,000 p.e.)	
		pH	6 - 10	
		Conductivity	n/a	
E7	Pool backwash	pH	6 - 10	Minimum of 3 sampling exercises with replicates shall take place once between December and February, once in May or October and once in July or August.
		Free chlorine	0.3 mg/L	
		Total suspended solids (TSS)	35 mg/L	
		Temperature	5°C above ambient at outlet	

All other conditions in the above quoted permit shall subsist.

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Unit Manager

F/Director Regulatory Affairs

[1] Sampling for E3 shall occur from the output of the sewage treatment plant flowing into the reservoir prior to mixing with rainwater in the reservoir.

Annex 1

Parameter	Emission point reference	Limit Value	Standard methodology used	Total annual number of exceedances [2]	Concentration (Annual Average)	Unit	Total Annual Load	Flow rate (m^3 / hr)	Unit
Temperature	E1, E2, E7	5˚C above ambient at outlet				^{0}C			
pH	E1, E2, E3 E7	6 - 10				n/a			
Total dissolved solids (TDS)	E1 , E2	N/A mg/L				mg/L			
Salinity	E1 , E2	N/A (psu)				psu			
Dissolved oxygen	E1 , E2	N/A (% Saturation O_2)				% Saturation oxygen			
Free chlorine	E7	0.3 mg/L				mg/L			
Total suspended solids (TSS)	E3, E7	35 mg/L				mg/L			
Biological oxygen demand (BOD)	E3	25 mg/L O_2				mg/L O_2			
Chemical oxygen demand (COD)	E3	125 mg/L O_2				mg/L O_2			
Total Nitrogen	E3	15 mg/L N				mg/L N			

[2] If the total number of exceedances exceeds 0, the value of each of these exceedances (for the reporting year) must be submitted in a separate report, together with action taken to regularise the situation.

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		(10, 000 – 100,000 p. e.) 10 mg/L N (more than 100,000 p.e.)							
Total Phosphorus	E3	2 mg/L P (10,000 – 100,000 p.e.) 1 mg/L P (more than 100,000 p.e.)				Mg/L P			
Conductivity	E3	n/a				S/m			