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DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998
(ACT NO. 107 OF 1998)

EXTENSION OF THE COMMENCEMENT DATE OF THE REGULATIONS TO DOMESTICATE THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE ROTTERDAM CONVENTION ON THE PRIOR INFORMED CONSENT PROCEDURE FOR CERTAIN HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS AND PESTICIDES IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE, 2023

I, Barbara Dallas Creecy, Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, hereby, in terms of section 25(3) and 44 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), extend the commencement date of the Regulations to domesticate the requirements of the Rotterdam Convention on the prior informed consent procedure for certain hazardous chemicals and pesticides in the international trade, 2023 as set out in the Schedule hereto.

BARBARA DALLAS CREECY
MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

SCHEDULE

Definitions

1. In these Regulations, any word of expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act bears that meaning and, unless the context otherwise indicates —

"the Regulations" means the Regulations to domesticate the requirements of the Rotterdam Convention on the prior informed consent procedure for certain hazardous chemicals and pesticides in international trade, 2023, published in Government Notice No. R. 3072, in Government *Gazette* No. 48098 on 17 February 2023; and

"the Act" means the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998).

Amendment of regulation 13 of the Regulations

2. Regulation 13 of the Regulations is hereby amended by the substitution of subregulation (2) for the following subregulation:

"(2) These Regulations will commence 660 days from the date of publication in the Government *Gazette*.".

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