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DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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THE CLIMATE CHANGE ACT, 2024 (ACT NO. 22 OF 2024)

POLLUTION PREVENTION PLANS AND MITIGATION PLANS ISSUED IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT: AIR QUALITY ACT, 2004 (ACT NO. 39 OF 2004) AND THE CLIMATE CHANGE ACT, 2024 (ACT NO. 22 OF 2024)

I, Willem Abraham Stephanus Aucamp, Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, hereby publish this notice to provide clarity on the transitional arrangements in respect of the transition from the existing Pollution Prevention Plan (PPP) Regulations, 2017 published under the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act, 2004 (Act No. 39 of 2004) (Government Notice No. R 712, Government *Gazette* No. 40996 of 21 July 2017) to the Carbon Budget and Mitigation Plan Regulations to be published under the Climate Change Act, 2024 (Act No. 22 of 2024) for the subsequent Pollution Prevention Plans (now referred to as Mitigation Plans), commitment period 2026–2030.

1. **Purpose of the Notice**
   This notice clarifies administrative procedures to deal with allocation of Pollution Prevention Plans (PPPs) beyond 31 December 2025 and to formally communicate the transitional arrangements leading to the implementation of the forthcoming Carbon Budget and Mitigation Plan Regulations under the Climate Change Act, 2024 (Act No. 22 of 2024).

2. **Transitional Guidance**
   In view of the transition from the Pollution Prevention Plan Regulations (2017) to the forthcoming Carbon Budget and Mitigation Plan Regulations under the Climate Change Act, 2024, stakeholders are advised that Pollution Prevention Plans for the next commitment period (2026–2030) will only be submitted or processed upon finalisation and publication of the new Carbon Budget and Mitigation Plan Regulations.

   Any inquiries in connection with this Notice can be directed to Mr Jongikhaya Witi by telephone: 012 399 9048 or by email: jwiti@dffe.gov.za

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