



9 March 2006

Notice

ACCESS TO INFORMATION AND APPEALS IN THE TUNA POLE SECTOR

1. **Appeal**

- 1.1 In terms of section 80 of the Act and regulation 5 of the Regulations promulgated in terms thereof, applicants may appeal to the Minister against the decisions of the delegated authority.
- 1.2 The appeal must be submitted to the Delegated Authority, WCRL Offshore Allocations and Verifications Sub-directorate, 6th Floor, Foretrust Building, Martin Hammerschlag Way, Foreshore, Cape Town, 8001 (attention: Mr Raymond Scott) and shall set out all the relevant facts as well as the grounds of appeal and shall be accompanied by any relevant document.
- 1.3 The appeal may be submitted in any form provided that the Appeal Form (attached) is completed and appended to the appeal submitted.
- 1.4 The closing day for appeals is **21 April 2006 at 16h00**. Late appeals may not be considered.

2. **Access to Information**

- 2.1 All applicants will be furnished with a copy of the "General Reasons for the Decisions on the Allocation of Rights and Quantum in the Tuna Pole fishery" ("GPR"), copies of the assessment sheet and score sheet used to record the assessment of its application in the fishery, the decision-making lists of the delegated authority and a spreadsheet setting out the scores of all the medium term right holder applicants and all the new entrant applicants. These documents, together with the notification letter and this notice, constitute the reasons for the decisions on the allocations of rights and effort in the Tuna sector.
- 2.2 Applicants may obtain copies of the assessment sheets and score sheets used to record the assessment of every application in the fishery from the Department's Customer Service Centre, 2nd Floor, Foretrust Building, Martin Hammerschlag Way, Foreshore, Cape Town (attention Mr Raymond Scott). These documents may be inspected free of charge, but standard rates would be charged for copies.
- 2.3 Appellants may request access to the applications of other applicants in this sector. The Department's information officer has adopted the following approach to such requests:
 - 2.3.1 The prescribed access to information form must be completed and submitted to the Department's Customer Service Centre,

2nd Floor, Foretrust Building, Martin Hammerschlag Way, Foreshore, Cape Town (attention Mr Raymond Scott). The prescribed access fee of R 35.00 must be submitted together with the application.

- 2.3.2 Access will not be granted access to any information submitted in the confidential envelope by an applicant.
- 2.3.3 Access will be granted on request to all other parts (other than the parts submitted the confidential envelope) of an application (including the annexures) unless an applicant objects, in writing, to the release of specific parts of an application. Objections must be lodged at the Access to Information Centre, 2nd Floor, Foretrust Building, Martin Hammerschlag Way, Foreshore, Cape Town (attention Mr Raymond Scott) before Monday, 3 April 2006 at 16h00. No information in application forms will be released before this date.
- 2.3.4 Objections received after 3 April 2006 at 16h00 will only affect subsequent applications for access to information. If access is sought to a part of a form in respect of which an objection was submitted, the request will be determined accordance with the provisions of the Promotion of Access to Information Act, 2 of 2000.

Mr Jacobus de Swardt
Delegated Authority: Tuna Pole
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