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Organisation Undoing Tax Abuse (OUTA)

For attention - Ms Andrea Korff OUTA – Legal Project Manager

Per e-mail andrea.korff@outa.co.za

Dear Ms Korff

RE: LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT TO ADDRESS THE ONGOING SEWAGE POLLUTION PROBLEM WITHIN THE DIEP RIVER AND MILNERTON LAGOON OUTA Ref L9/BD/04

Your letter 7 February 2020 refers. The City of Cape Town welcomes the approach of OUTA towards harmonious cooperation with organs of state in fulfilling their mandate in the interests of its citizens.

The above letter requested a reply by 10 February, being the next working day following the day on which the letter was sent. This was not possible and your patience in awaiting our response is acknowledged.

Furthermore, the letter raises numerous issues and associated data concerning water quality, both historical and current. It is not the intention of this letter to respond to each issue raised, however. Instead, the purpose of this letter is to agree to your request for an engagement at which possible solutions to the current situation can be discussed. Such an engagement will also provide an opportunity for the City of Cape Town to highlight the actions taken to date, as well as those which are in process or which are in the planning stage.

In order to timeously secure a mutually convenient time and venue for a meeting between OUTA and relevant City of Cape Town staff and executive, Ms Naomi Higham will be the City's contact person – (021 487 2319).

Yours sincerely

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